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JAPANESE OCCUPY CHIUMENKOW PASS---LULL IN HOSTILITIES

A BURGLAR SURPRISED IN PEAK FLAT

Mr. C. C. Hickling Loses Man While Telephoning.

\$35 WATCH STOLEN.

A burglar who broke into 3, Branksome Towers, The Peak, the residence of Mr. C. C. Hickling, of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, was arrested at three o'clock this morning. But while Mr. Hickling was telephoning for the Police, he made good his escape, taking with him a wrist watch.

Mr. Hickling in his report to the Police, stated that at 3 a.m. he was awakened in his bed room, which is on the first floor of the building. A Chinese had entered the room through an open verandah window. He lay in bed and then pounced on the burglar and held him in custody. There was no struggle.

Mr. Hickling telephoned to the Police for assistance, and while doing so, the thief broke loose and bolted. When he had left, Mr. Hickling discovered that his wrist watch, valued at \$35 had been stolen.

PROSPECTS BRIGHT ON N.Y. MARKET

Rails, Utilities And Bonds Rise.

DOLLAR STEADY.

New York, To-day.
The reaction yesterday was normal, reports Messrs. E. A. Pierce & Company. Prospects of the future market are better than had been a fast advance on a large volume.

The bond market continues strong, Westinghouse declaring a dividend of 1 to 1/2 ratio share for each share of Westinghouse. Industrials which rose as much as 2.04 yesterday, showed a downward trend to-day, falling .54.

Rails, utilities and bonds, however, continue on the upward trend. Average business was done 1,610,000 shares changing hands. (Continued on Page 12.)

IRISH GENERAL ELECTION.

240 Nominations For 152 Seats.

London, To-day.
The nomination of candidates for the Irish Free State General Election, took place yesterday. About 240 were nominated for 152 vacant seats, 98 being Fianna Fail candidates.

Mr. Frank Fahy, Speaker of the Dail Eireann, was returned unopposed. Polling takes place on January 24.—British Wireless Service.

Last Position.

The position of the parties at the dissolution was: Fianna Fail, 70; Labour, 7; total of Voters, 77; Cumann Na nGaedheal, 54; Independent Labour, 2; total Cosgrave, 71. Four seats were vacant pending by-elections.

VERNACULAR SCHOOL PRIZING.

The annual prize distribution of the Vernacular Middle School was held this morning, when Mr. G. P. de Martin, Director of Education, was present to give away the awards.

The complete list of prize-winners, the Headmaster's report, and Mr. H. K. Woo's address appears on page 7 of this issue.



After the recent London riots, great difficulty was experienced in transporting the unemployed back to their homes. One of the women demonstrators is shown being given a lift upon the barrow which contains their belongings.—(S. & G.)

ARGENTINA MISSION RETURNS PRINCE'S VISITS.

Will Discuss Trade Relations With Britain.

London, To-day.
A mission, headed by Dr. Julio Roca, Vice-President of Argentina, sailed for London yesterday from Buenos Aires in the liner "Arlanca".

The main purpose of the mission is to return the visits paid to Argentina by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales in 1925 and 1931.

At the conclusion of the official visit there will be discussions with the British Government on trade relations between the two countries.—British Wireless Service.

FIRE DANGER ON LINERS

French Government's Drastic Reforms

Paris, To-day.
The Georges Phillpar and Atlantic liners are expected to profoundly affect the construction of French liners.

Comprehensive recommendations have been made by the Minister of Merchant Marine to Parliament.

The recommendations involved almost the complete abolition of wood, the fireproofing of all carpets and awnings and metal casing for electric cables.

All vessels over 10,000 tons are to have a fire brigade and two wireless installations if the French Parliament agrees to these reforms, which are also applicable to existing liners.—Reuter.

MORE RESEARCH ON RUBBER

Manufacturers To Pay \$15,000 A Year.

London, To-day.
The text has been issued of a Bill to ensure the continuance in development of scientific industrial research in rubber, and to place the Research Association of British Rubber Manufacturers, hitherto supported voluntarily, on a sound basis.

The bill involves a contribution by all rubber manufacturers in the United Kingdom of a sum not exceeding a twenty-fifth of a penny per pound on rubber or latex.

The Bill is limited to end in 1938, and contributions to \$15,000 annually.—Reuter.

AIR MINISTER STARTS TOUR.

London, To-day.
The Air Minister, Lord Londonderry, left Croydon yesterday in the African air-mail liner for Alexandria, where he will begin his tour of inspection of the Royal Air Force units in Egypt, Iraq and Palestine.

40-Hour Week Proposal

British Delegate Terms It Impracticable.

London, To-day.
During the discussion of a proposal for a hours convention, laying down an average working week of 40 hours, at the Geneva International Labour Conference, the British Government delegate urged that time should not be wasted on the proposal, which on close examination must be regarded as impracticable.

He drew attention to the economic, financial and technical difficulties and anticipated that if a convention were drawn up, a large number of countries would not ratify.

Legislation to effect the change in Britain would cause an acute controversy, and if the proposal were adopted, it would not appreciably contribute to the solution of the unemployed problem.—British Wireless Service.

SIR JOHN SIMON'S AIR THRILL

Lands At Croydon In Dense Fog.

London, To-day.
Sir John Simon, who has been recuperating in Monte Carlo, returned to London yesterday. During a brief stay in Paris he called on the French Prime Minister, M. Paul Boncour, at the Elysee. There was a fog at Croydon when Sir John Simon arrived, and the air-liner in which he travelled had to circle round the aerodrome several times before landing with the aid of rockets.—British Wireless Service.

CARGO JUNK SINKS WITH SAND LOAD

Harbour Accident This Morning.

POLICE LAUNCH SAVES CREW.

A cargo junk, loaded with sand, sank in the harbour in the early hours of this morning.

The accident occurred at 8.30 a.m. when the junk was midway between Stonecutters Island and Sham Shui-po. Fortunately there was no casualty, the master of the junk and the rest of the crew saving themselves by clinging to wooden planks. A few of the crew clambered into a small sampan, which was un- (Continued on Page 12.)

COLD WEATHER STOPS FIGHTING CHENG'S PETITION REFUSED

CHINESE MACHINE GUNS FROZEN UP

OUTLOOK BETTER AS LEAGUE PREPARES FOR CONCILIATION

PEIPING, TO-DAY.

IT HAS NOW BEEN DEFINITELY ESTABLISHED THAT CHIUMENKOW IS IN THE HANDS OF THE JAPANESE. A LULL SEEMS TO HAVE SETTLED DOWN AT ALL FRONTS.

A bitter North wind continues to blow and while Peiping is suffering at 14 degrees below zero, it is probable that such places as Chiumenkow, in the mountains, are experiencing a temperature of 30 degrees below zero, thus making operations almost impossible.

Chinese reports state that machine-guns have frozen up and have become unusable. Doubtless the Japanese are placed in a similar position.—Reuter.

Japanese Surrender Customs Station.

Chinwangtao, To-day.

The Shanhaikuan Customs station, which was occupied by the Japanese military authorities after the capture of Shanhaikuan, is again under the control of the Chinese Maritime Customs.

The action of the Japanese in surrendering the station was due to urgent protests from the Commissioner of Customs of Chinwangtao, who also controls the Shanhaikuan office.—Reuter.

Negotiation On British Ship.

Chinwangtao, To-day.

Reuter is authoritatively informed that the British Naval authorities in Chinwangtao offered their ships to the Chinese and Japanese as a meeting place for possible preliminary negotiations.

As a result, a representative of General Ho Chu-kuo met the Japanese garrison commander in the Japanese camp, in the presence of the British commander. The result of the conversations has not been divulged but it is believed they may lead to further negotiations between responsible officials.—Reuter.

Gen. Li's Troops In Russia.

DISARMED AND INTERNED.

Moscow, To-day.

Three thousand Chinese soldiers and officers including General Li-di, who took refuge in Russian territory in the Turkylog and Imer districts, have been disarmed and interned.

Other scattered detachments, defeated by the Japanese forces operating on the Chinese Eastern Railway, took refuge in these districts on Monday and were immediately disarmed and interned.—Reuter.

"Resistance Is Only Policy."

19TH ARMY COMMANDER'S STRONG VIEWS.

Resistance to the bitter end against the Japanese forces, is urged by General Chang Yin, Commander of the 19th Division of the 19th Route Army, who arrived in Hong Kong yesterday en route to Canton. "The League," he stated, "was powerless to deal with the situation, and the only thing that could save China was stubborn fighting."

A CRITICAL PERIOD FOR THE LEAGUE

Conciliation Formula To Be Found.

SOVIET AND AMERICA MAY BE INVITED.

London, To-day.

The week commencing January 16 is likely to mark the most critical phase yet experienced in the Sino-Japanese discussions at Geneva.

Within a few days of the re-assembly of the Committee of Nineteen, it should be definitely known whether success has attended the efforts of Sir Eric Drummond and M. Paul Hymans (who were instructed by the Drafting Committee to keep in touch with the parties during the Christmas adjournment) to find a formula which would be acceptable to both sides, and allow conciliation procedure to be commenced.

Gen. Lee In Canton.

Canton, To-day.

General Lee Chung-yan, Commander-in-Chief of the Fourth Military Group of the Kwangsi Army, arrived here yesterday. He will take part in the discussions regarding the Shanhaikuan incident. (Continued on Page 12.)

FUNDS FOR CHINA'S AIR FORCE.

Big Response From Oversea Chinese.

The splendid efforts of the overseas Chinese in assisting China to establish an air force, were warmly commended by General Oong Chao-yuan, one of the 19th Route Army leaders, yesterday.

General Oong, who has been in the Philippine Islands on air force propaganda work, said that the Chinese residents there had organized an Aviation Union, which had resulted in the collection of a considerable sum, and that if the same idea was followed by Chinese communities in other parts of the world, the formation of China's air force would soon be accomplished.

General Oong said that he had intended going to America to pursue his propaganda work there, but since the commencement of the Shanhaikuan hostilities, he had decided to remain in China.

Wider Use Of Silver

Turkey To Have Metal Coinage.

Istanbul, To-day.

A new silver coinage is to be issued by the Turkish Government to replace the present banknotes.

The amount, which is \$3,400,000 will comprise of the following: a Turkish pound, fifty piastre and twenty-five piastre pieces roughly corresponding with three-shilling, eightpenny and ninepenny pieces respectively. All coins representing a fraction of a piastre will be bronze.

A Bill, authorizing the new coinage will be laid before Parliament immediately, but it is not likely to be passed until the spring session.—Reuter.



Dr. W. W. Yen, one of China's chief delegates to Geneva.

If their efforts have been successful, then the resolution of the Committee of Nineteen will presumably be published.

The League Assembly also, will probably have to meet at an early date to decide whether the United States and Russia will be asked to participate in the conciliation. The form the Conciliation Committee will take must also be decided.

It is believed that the conciliation body will probably not be the whole of the Committee of Nineteen (with the possible addition of the United States and Russia) but a smaller committee of representatives, chiefly from Powers interested in the Far East.

Article XV.

There has still been no formal invitation to the United States and Russia and it is understood that the soundings of their opinions have hitherto achieved no definite results. If, on the other hand, it proves when the Committee of Nineteen meet, that it has been impossible to agree to a formula, then the Assembly will have to make a report under Article Fifteen, Paragraph Four. Such a report might follow the lines of the Lytton Report, either in toto or be based on the first eight chapters of the report but with modifications in the recommendations.—Reuter.

MR. MELLON RETURNS TO ST. JAMES.

London, To-day.

Mr. Andrew Mellon, American Ambassador to Great Britain, reached Southampton in the White Star liner, "Majestic," from New York to resume his duties in London after a brief holiday in America.—British Wireless Service.

PETITION REFUSED

"LAW MUST TAKE ITS COURSE"

Date Of Execution Not Yet Decided.

Cheng Kwok-yau will be executed for procuring the murder of George Fung.

All legal appeals have failed and this morning the Chinese petition for clemency was refused.

The following official statement was issued after the Executive Council meeting this morning:—"The Governor-in-Council has decided that the law shall take its course."

It is understood that the respite granted Cheng Kwok-yau pending his application for leave to appeal to the Privy Council expires on Saturday.

H.E. the Governor will make an order for his execution, and it is learned from an authoritative source that Cheng will not pay the extreme penalty until the period of respite has expired. The execution will probably take place on Monday morning next.

Cheng was informed of the Executive Council's decision this afternoon.

Sensational Trial.

The trial of Cheng Kwok-yau, alias Cheng Wan, in the Supreme Court, was the most sensational in the history of the Colony. Crowds thronged the Court room daily, from August 8 to August 25 last year, when the accused was found guilty by a special jury of procuring the murder of George Fung at Village Road on March 24. At the time of the murder, it is recalled, Fung was walking in company with Miss Lai Ming-fai, a young actress, with whom Cheng was in love. (Continued on Page 7.)

CHINESE SPORTSMAN MARRIED

Mr. Ng Sze-kwong Weds Miss Leung Mee-ying.

DR. KOTEWALL PROPOSES TOAST.

Mr. Ng Sze-kwong, a popular local Chinese sportsman, who for six years in succession was the Colony's open tennis singles champion, and for ten years captain of the Chinese Recreation Club cricket team, was married to Miss Leung Mee-ying this afternoon. The bridegroom is chairman of the C.R.C., and was formerly General Manager of the Central Theatre.

A reception was held at the Gloucester Building and was largely attended. In proposing the toast of the happy couple, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., said:

"It is always a privilege, and certainly a pleasure, to be entrusted with the principal toast at a wedding. The pleasure is the greater on this occasion, because the bridegroom's father is an old friend of mine, and the bridegroom is one for whom I have a high regard and a strong liking. (Continued on Page 4.)



The Woman's Page



VARIOUS WAYS WITH EGGS.

Tempting The Breakfast Appetite.

There are many unusual ways of cooking the breakfast egg, which looks at us so forbiddingly when fried and so dully when boiled.

Try scrambled eggs varied either by adding chopped ham or tongue or flaked cold fish, such as smoked haddock or kipper, before cooking. Or scramble eggs plainly, and then put on to little pieces of buttered toast spread with butter, kipper, or anchovy paste, with any chopped cold meat or peas left over from the night before, first tossed in a little butter to warm them.

Eggs-And-Cream.

Cold eggs, hard-boiled, can be filled with all sorts of pleasant stuffings, for instance any of the additions described above, which are pounded up with the yolk, moistened if necessary with a little milk or cream, and filled into the halves of the white, usually cut lengthwise.

A very simple and original tomato dish is one called Eggs Washington. For this you want a large, not too ripe tomato for each person. Cut off about a quarter from the top (where the stem is), scoop out the inside and sprinkle the case with salt and pepper.

Now break an egg into each tomato, add a little more seasoning, some chopped parsley and if you can, some mushrooms finely chopped. Put a dab of butter on top of each, and bake in a slow oven for about twenty minutes, so that the yolks of the eggs are still soft when the dish is served.

Popular With Children.

One last suggestion is Birds' Nests, which should be popular with the children. From some slices of bread about an inch thick cut out rounds three inches or so across. Make these into rings by cutting out their centres with a smaller cutter, and fry them a golden brown in butter.

Place them in a flat dish, break an egg into each, pour over a little milk, sprinkle lightly with chopped parsley and, if you like it so early in the morning, a little chopped onion, and bake in the oven till the eggs are set.

GREEN POPULAR FOR DECORATION.

Green is a prime favourite for decorations judging by London houses recently reconditioned.

There are green doors and green frames to the windows—or black frames—and many green shutters as well as green roofs to red brick houses, while a dark green door and a chromium plated knocker accords with to-day's taste.

Furniture in small halls is now enameled green. Stair carpets of green and brown are serviceable, and paler greens are lovely as curtains in bedrooms whose walls and doors are white, even the door-handles being green and distinctive.

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SIMPLICITY AIM IN DRESS LINE.

Colour Contrasts For Relief.

Simplicity is much aimed at in the dress line, and it is left to the accessories to bring in that air of distinction and sophistication.

For instance, a plain navy blue dress cannot look like a smart model if it is worn with a white and red scarf and white and red belt. It is these things that make all the difference.

Individuality can be expressed by the careful choice of your handbags, belts and ties. The first noticeable thing is the neckline. These are made in all sorts of styles, from the severe to the frilly and feminine. The newest is a square collar with a bow at one corner in the front, or a round collar that has a very small piece coming down in front.

You will probably have remarked already on the new bead collars that are really more like necklaces. These look extremely smart in bright colours worn with a plain black frock. The gauntlet glove still holds its own in fashion this season. It is infinitely more comfortable and cooler than the long elbow glove worn last year.

Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

Macaroni Creole
Baked Sweet Potatoes
Buttered Cabbage
Bread Plum Jam
Head Lettuce and Mayonnaise
Golden Glow Cake Coffee

Macaroni Creole, Serving 6.
3 cups cooked macaroni.
4 tablespoons butter.
5 tablespoons flour.
2 cups tomatoes.
2/3 cup cheese, cut fine.
1/2 cup diced celery.
3 tablespoons chopped onions.
1 1/2 teaspoons salt.
1/4 teaspoon paprika.
1 cup rolled bread or cracker crumbs.
3 tablespoons butter, melted.
Melt 4 tablespoons of butter, add flour. Mix well, add tomatoes and cook until creamy sauce forms. Add cheese, celery, onions, salt and paprika. Cook slowly stirring constantly, for 2 minutes. Add macaroni and pour into buttered baking dish. Cover with crumbs mixed with 3 tablespoons of melted butter. Bake 25 minutes in moderate oven.

Golden Glow Cake.
1/3 cup butter.
1 cup sugar.
2 eggs.
1 teaspoon vanilla.
2 cups flour.
1/2 teaspoon salt.
2 teaspoons baking powder.
Cream butter until soft. Add sugar and mix until creamy. Add rest of ingredients and beat 2 minutes. Bake in 2 layer cake pans. Add filling.

Filling.
1/2 cup sugar.
3 tablespoons flour.
1 square chocolate, melted.
1 cup milk.
2 egg yolks.
1/2 teaspoon vanilla.
1/4 teaspoon salt.
Blend sugar and flour. Add chocolate, milk and egg yolks. Cook in double boiler until very thick and creamy. Stir frequently. Add rest of ingredients. Cook. Use as filling between cake layers. Frost.

Frosting.
2 egg whites, beaten.
2 tablespoons butter, melted.
1 cup sifted confectioner's sugar.
1 teaspoon vanilla.
1/2 cup blanched almonds.
Mix egg whites, butter and sugar. Beat until creamy. Add vanilla and nuts. Frost top and sides of cake.

REMOVING GREASE BY ABSORPTION.

Grease may often be removed by absorption. Mix powdered French chalk or fuller's earth to a paste with water or turpentine. Spread thickly on the grease spot. Leave for several days, then brush off. Repeat if necessary.

When treating delicate fabric, which might show a water line from the chalk application, put some cornflour on a piece of blotting paper, lay the greased material on that, and cover the spot with more cornflour. Put a piece of blotting paper on top, set a hot iron on it, and let it remain a short time. Repeat if necessary.

There is nothing better than onions for removing rust from steel. Rub the rusty part with an onion and leave the juice on for twenty-four hours, then polish the steel with bath brick and turpentine.



THE CARE OF THE HANDS.

How To Deal With Brittle Nails.

Most business girls have beautifully manicured hands. They use them constantly, are conscious of them, and are careful to spend at least two separate half-hours in the week with a bowl of hot soapy water and a manicure set.

Yet it is just this type of girl who, once she has escaped for a fortnight from the routine of office work, neglects her hands and comes back from her holiday feeling that they will never look right again.

It is not, of course, an easy job to keep the hands elegant in the country or at the sea. It is difficult, too, not to feel careless about these things, and to tell yourself that you will "have a good go at them" before you come back to town.

But care of the hands is a personal fastidiousness that can ill be spared, and the best method of keeping them in trim is to adopt a simpler manicure, and stick to it. Choose preferably a powder polish for nails. In a few days you can work up a good surface that will be a distinct advantage when you go, back to the liquid nail polish, of which there are many excellent brands, on your return home.

Abandon long pointed nails, too, if you do not want to look vulgar and probably get them broken into the bargain. You cannot always resist, when on holiday, doing the sort of things that infallibly break the nails, but are so well worth doing. They can always be pointed again when you come home—that is, if you have not grown to prefer the natural almond shape, which is really in better taste.

Salt water and the open air often make the nails brittle, but a little olive oil rubbed on the hands and round the cuticle at night corrects this at once. Plain olive oil, plain glycerine, an orange stick and an emery board are the principal adjuncts to the manicure set you will need on any seaside or country holiday.

THE WAIST LINE.

Waists have been assigned a high place, now dressmakers are not sure where they want them. Apparently, wide shouldered cloth frocks and coats are smartest with fitting hip-lines and fairly long waists. This design imparts a goignee air, even though one's figure is not of the slimmest. But such frocks need to be carefully fitted, and to be worn with a firm type of corset.

Often the long hip-line is finished with a belt quite high—above the normal waist—I have seen new coats of glossy cloths with such waists, providing both a low waist-line at once.

On very short jumpers the waist is seamed quite high. Longer skirts encourage the higher waists apparently, and some frocks with jumper tops suggest separate garments.

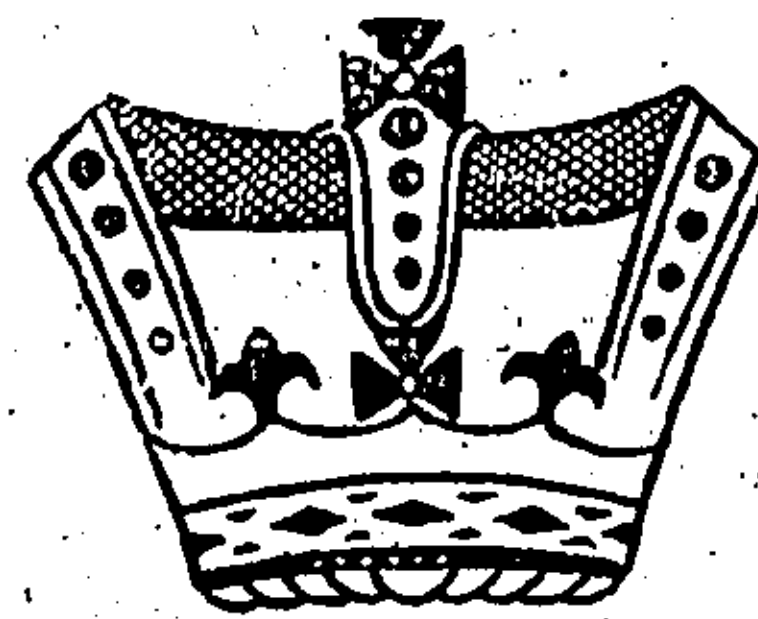
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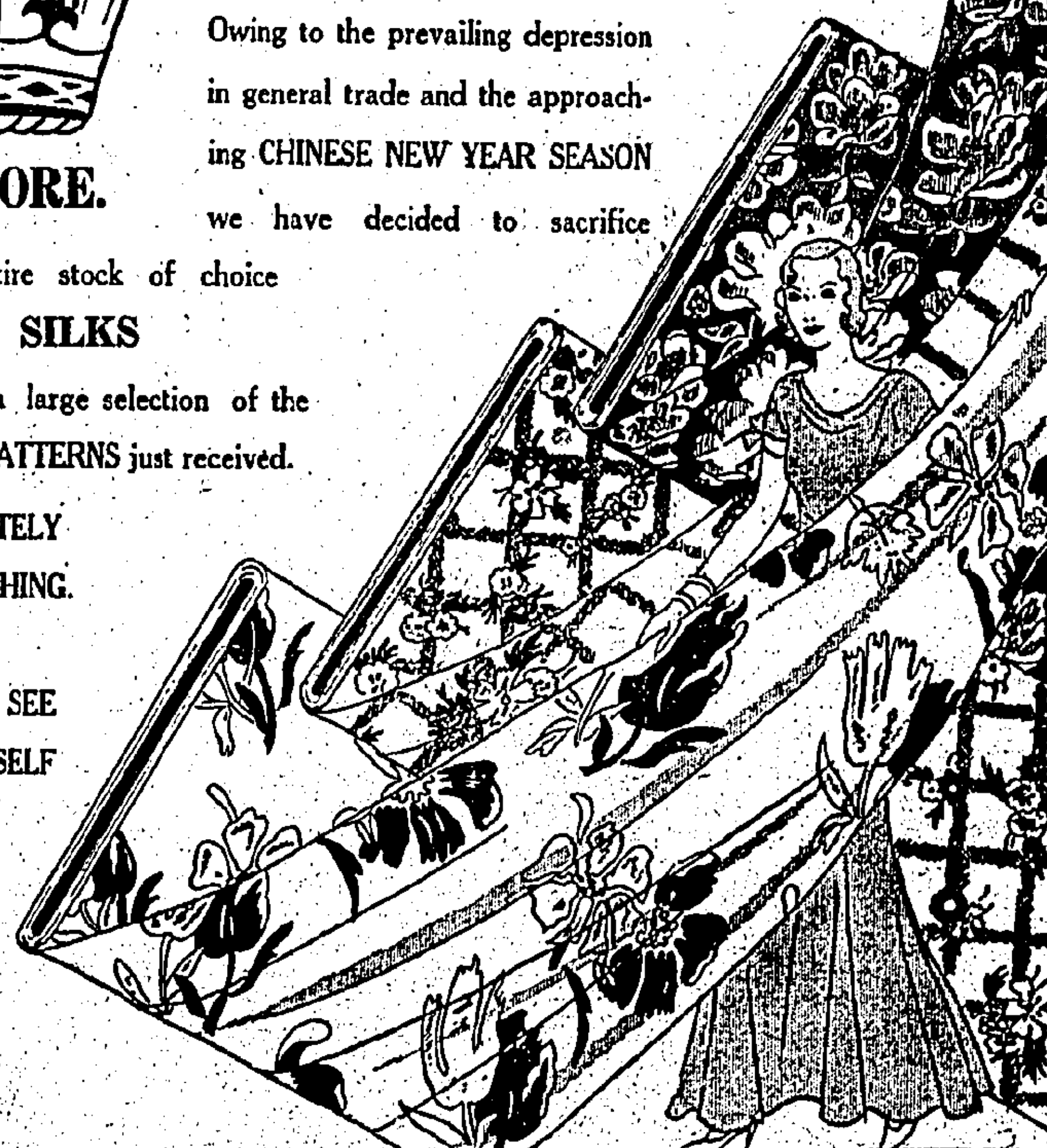
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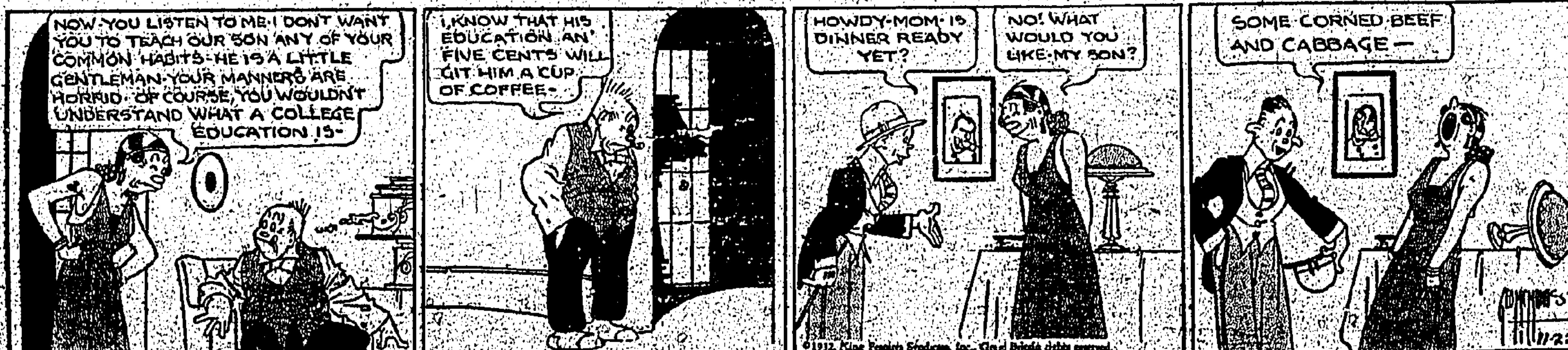


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A WHOLE WEEK'S NEWSPAPERS IN ONE.

Over 700 guests, including H.E. the Governor and Lady Peel, Major-General and Mrs. O. C. Borrett, Admiral Sir Howard Kelly, and the Rt. Rev. R. O. Hall, Bishop of Victoria, attended the annual Ball of St. George's Society held at the Peninsula Hotel on January 6. The function was a great success, although the usual ceremonials were omitted. The Rose Room presented a brilliant scene. It was tastefully decorated with flags, the picture of the patron saint, St. George, English roses and shields depicting the arms of the counties and boroughs of England.

The Ball is reported in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

Amid colourful surroundings, the ceremonial of Congregation Day was held in the Great Hall of the University of Hong Kong on January 9. His Excellency the Chancellor, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., accompanied by Lady Peel, was welcomed by the Vice-Chancellor, Sir William Hornell, Kt., C.I.E. Fifty-seven undergraduates received their degrees from the Chancellor. Sir William Hornell delivered the only speech of the Day, in which he mentioned that the University had purchased many valuable books on China from the Hankow Club for \$25,000.

A full report is given in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

In the Chapel of St. John's Cathedral on January 7, the Very Rev. A. Swann officiating, the wedding was quietly solemnised between Miss Eileen Joyce Lammert, youngest daughter of Mr. George Phillip Lammert, well-known local resident, and Mr. James Edward Henry, second son of Mr. Malcolm Henry of Yokohama and Hong Kong, and local Manager of Reuters Limited.

St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road, was the scene of a pretty wedding on January 9, when Miss Geraldine "Toots" Smith, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. H. L. Smith, of Hong Kong, became the bride of Mr. Peter Weatherdon Grant Cameron, son of the Rev. and Mrs. Ian Grant Cameron of Mere Wilts, England.

Both weddings are reported in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

Mr. J. Barrow, the Civil Service cricketer and formerly Private Secretary to H.E. the Governor, together with Messrs. F. Waldorf, L. Haldane and T. Coale, all of Peking Road, Kowloon, took part in a hunt for three armed highway robbers on the Tai Po Road on January 8 evening. After a young Chinese artist and his sister had been robbed. Ng Sing-man, aged 23 years, residing at No. 89, Tai Po Road, described the affair in a report to the Police.

A story is published in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

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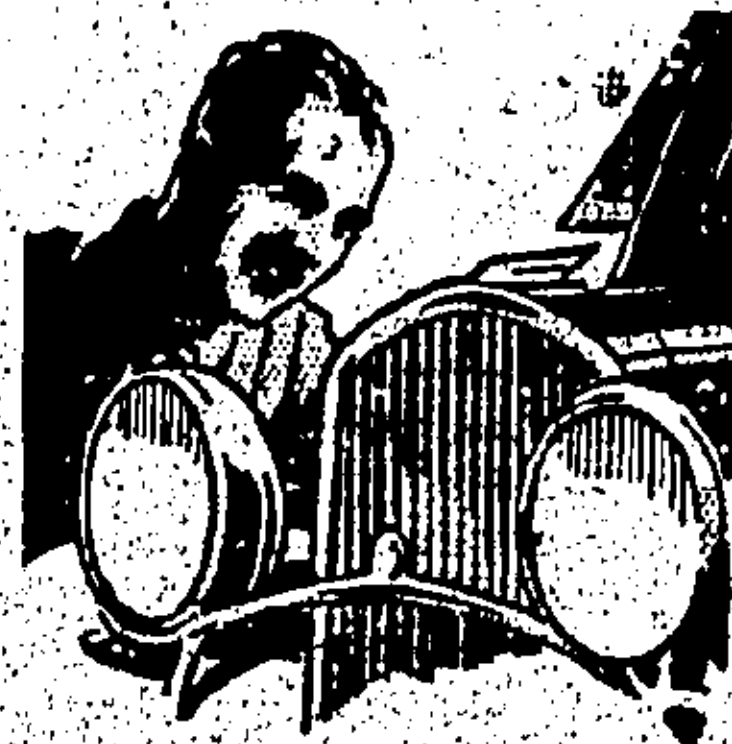
EFFECT ON BUYERS.

Never before in the history of the American nation has economy, and thrift been the national watchword so much as it is to-day. It was a long time after the first warning of the danger in 1923 that the American people awakened to the fact that new conditions had to be considered, that incomes were to be reduced proportionate with the drop in business and that a readjustment had to be made in every branch of business, and home life.

The first to feel the effects of this need for readjustment was the automobile industry—America's leading industry—the production volume falling from 4,407,000 cars in 1929 to 3,036,000 cars in 1930. The following year, the decline was still more marked, the total reaching only 2,222,000 units, the lowest since 1921. Production estimates for 1932 show an even lower figure which seems to indicate a tendency on the part of car owners to continue to use their old cars. The production, therefore, of a car that would meet the reduced incomes of the American people seems to be the logical solution.

Economists who have studied the position maintain that to reach the vast market of "Economy" buyers, the chief consideration will be the initial cost, which, together with the cost for operation and maintenance will have to be unusually low. That these factors alone will not reopen the market to its fullest unless the new car also conforms to every modern conception of comfort, quality, style and performance in a foregone conclusion.

Until now American car buyers gave little thought to economy of operation and maintenance, but to-day the factor of economy is uppermost in their minds. Previously, fuel consumption was of very little consequence; if the appearance of the car appealed to the buyer and he was reasonably sure that its performance was all that could be expected, he was satisfied. Fuel consumption will, however, have an increasing significance, and in addition to seeking a car of modern design and performance, he will want to know what distance it will do on a gallon of fuel and will choose the car that will give him full value for the money he spends.



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In all that concerns the social habits and relationships of mankind there will always be a conflict of opinion regarding the desirability of evolutionary phases. What is progressive to some will appear retrograde to others; change is held to connote decay; liberty is confused with licence, and the acceleration in our mode of some people, to a calamitous end.

However one may view the matter, the progress of civilisation, of which the density and speed of road traffic is an important phase, is as inevitable as the alteration of night and day.

Adapting Methods to Changing Conditions.

This being so it behoves us to accept the fact that people must pass along and across our thoroughfares at a tempo consistent with modern conditions, and it is therefore necessary so to adapt our methods and manners as to minimise the associated hazards. Progress cannot be stayed, so that the related circumstances of present-day life must be adjusted to suit each other.

It is uncommonly easy, particularly if one's own interests and safety be intimately concerned, to be led to false conclusions on the subject of road traffic conditions. Among the most dangerous tendencies is that of endeavouring to fix the responsibility for accidents in general upon one particular class of road user.

In co-operation with the Ministry of Transport, the National "Safety First" Association is conducting a research into the circumstances in which fatal road accidents occur in England and Wales. An interim report has been presented to the executive committee of the Association by Lt.-Col. J. A. A. Pickard, the general secretary, which provides some extremely illuminating statistics and comments on this subject.

Having in mind the information which has been published by this body, and taking into consideration all that has become self-evident during the last ten years of traffic development, certain facts stand out very clearly, and there is no person in this country upon whom there does not devolve the urgent duty of giving close study to the subject and practical expression to such general recommendations as it is possible to make.

Divided Responsibility for Road Safety.

Responsibility for the safety of road users cannot lie in one direction. It is at least fourfold, and nothing but harm can result from any endeavour to relieve one party of its obligations, whether legal or moral.

Motorists should remember that the machines in their charge can quickly become lethal weapons against which the pedestrian has an unequal chance. Pedestrians, on the other hand, should appreciate that the task of controlling even a modern motor-car is one which engages the full attention of the driver, and that he should not be embarrassed by wanton neglect and irresponsible actions on their part. It should also be remembered that according to the statement prepared by the National Safety First Association about 25,000 motorists as pedestrians are killed.

ed in road accidents, a point which is not as widely known as it should be.

In general terms the onus of pursuing a proper course of behaviour in regard to road traffic is on four parties, and many persons may come under more than one of these categories:—

1. Those in charge of vehicles.
2. Those concerned in the designing, maintenance, and government of thoroughfares and continuous buildings, whether local authorities or private persons.
3. Adult pedestrians.
4. Parents, guardians, teachers, and others responsible for the training of children.

A fifth category may perhaps be recognised—the people engaged in the manufacture, repair, storage, and maintenance of vehicles.

Broadly speaking, the behaviour of each of these classes should be governed by the one quality—common sense. The exercise of this faculty alone would in a short time eliminate the greater part of existing road hazards, but it is, unfortunately, the case that very many people, whose conduct in other respects may be unexceptionable, frequently and persistently behave in a most irresponsible manner in regard to their obligations to fellow road users, and it is therefore desirable to particularise regarding the precautions which should be observed by the various parties affected.

Obligations of the Motorist.

The obligations of the first class are heavy and diverse. The first duty of a motorist, cyclist, or anyone in charge of a mechanical vehicle, should be to make sure that it is in proper order, and that it is in every way fit to take the road. So far as possible, any work that has been carried out by maintenance employees should be looked at in order that the driver himself may know that there is no defect.

It is also the responsibility of the motorist to take advantage of any device or equipment calculated to increase the efficiency of the machine and to minimise the dangers which may arise from an emergency to which others may contribute.

Whatever the responsibility of others, and whatever may be the legal position, it must always be remembered that the driver of a mechanical vehicle is in a strong position either to avoid or to precipitate an accident. Contributory negligence does not necessarily clear the relatively innocent party of all moral responsibility. Above all, the motorist must remember the frailties of pedestrian road users who cannot be held fully responsible for their own actions—such as young children and those who are not in possession of all normal faculties.

Vehicular traffic moves at a comparatively high speed, and is plentifully represented on the roads. It is, therefore, essential that drivers should give clear and early indications of their intentions when they are about to turn, to overtake another vehicle, or to "pull" up. Recommendations of this character have been made, and are available to every motorist, but their adoption is still by no means general.

Casual inquiry among any number of motorists will disclose the fact that, although the excellent pamphlet which is issued to license holders is both clear and concise, and though its contents may be digested by anyone of average intelligence in a few minutes, far too many have never even made themselves familiar with its recommendations. By neglecting to do so, the motorist is not only disregarding his own interests, but is also contributing to the peril of the movement to reduce road perils.

Concentration In The Driver.

Obvious as it may appear, it is yet necessary to emphasise the necessity of concentration upon the task of controlling a motor vehicle. Driving a motor-car or lorry is a full-time job, and even the most expert cannot afford to have other distractions. Another point which needs to be recognised is that the fractional time which may be saved at the expense of taking improper risks, in overtaking or in other ways, has rarely any ultimate value, especially when the possible results are soberly considered.

Speed is a factor which gives rise to a great deal of controversy. Too many critics are apt to assume that fast driving is necessarily dangerous. Neither this nor the converse is true; the speed of a vehicle can only be considered excessive or otherwise in relation to the circumstances, for whilst five miles an hour may be perilous in a narrow, crowded thoroughfare, the ability to put on a spurt of fifty or sixty miles per hour in other circumstances may be the means of averting accidents.

So far as the responsibilities of local authorities and private persons are concerned with regard to thoroughfares, it is very desirable that adequate and simple indications should be provided at road junctions, bends other potentially dangerous points, and that whatever system may be adopted should conform sufficiently to a standard to enable them to be understood instantly by drivers from any part of the country.

Blind corners are responsible for many fatal accidents. In 1925 endeavours were made to introduce into Parliament a bill which, if it had passed on to the statute book, would have made it an offence for any person to create a new blind corner which would afterwards need be made safe at the public expense.

Other hazards for which private persons may be responsible include the erection of misleading or confusing signs, advertisements or lights.

How Pedestrians May Contribute to Safety.

In the third category almost everyone is included, and it is not, unfortunately, always the case that the motorist, when he is on foot, conducts himself more intelligently than other pedestrians. When traversing a thoroughfare on foot it is essential that one's intention should be made clear to anyone who might as a result become involved in a collision. Hasty or hesitant behaviour in the roadway often imposes upon a driver or cyclist an unfair emergency. Like every other road-user, the pedestrian should not only give indication of his own intentions, but should observe, and be guided by, the signals of others.

The inculcation of road sense into the minds of children is one of the most important considerations associated with this subject. The statistics compiled by the Ministry of Transport and the National "Safety First" Association show that more than half of the juvenile victims of accidents in the period under review were between the ages of three and eight, the most dangerous age being between four and five. In almost every case of a fatality involving victims of these tender years the accident resulted from the child's running thoughtlessly into the roadway.

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Two Birds With One Stone. It appears that restriction on a quota system, as the Stevenson scheme, is impracticable for several reasons, of which the chief is that the Dutch could not adopt it, which other forms necessitating the holding off the market of a percentage of the output, or destroying rubber produced in excess of export allowances are evidently not acceptable. If, however, the interested Governments were to purchase "restricted" rubber at a few cents per lb., and manufacture petrol from it, Malaya and the D.E.I. could then have cheap petrol and, at the same time bring prosperity to the rubber industry.

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"UNASHAMED"—QUEEN'S THEATRE.

A sensational murder trial is a fitting climax to Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's film "Unashamed" which is the current attraction at the Queen's Theatre, and in which Helen Twelvetrees takes the leading role. The film is taken from a mystery thriller by Bayard Veiller.

Miss Twelvetrees plays an heiress who in her mad chase for thrills meets a fortune hunter in the person of the "four-flushing" son of an old German grocer. Through the association she finally is placed where she must choose between her brother's life and her own public dishonour, in a murder trial.

Robert Young, Lewis Stone, Jean Hersholt and John Miljan are in the cast.

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"LILY CHRISTINE"—KING'S THEATRE.

"Lily Christine," the latest Paramount British picture which is now showing at the King's Theatre, is an outstanding achievement.

The title role is played by Corinne Griffith and no better choice could have been made.

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The remainder of the cast, which includes Margaret Bannerman, Anne Grey and Miles Mander, are all well chosen for their respective roles.

MAIL REVIEW

"SCOTLAND YARD"—ORIENTAL THEATRE.

Edmund Lowe's splendid portrayal of a gentleman crook is an outstanding feature of Fox's exciting drama "Scotland Yard" now showing at the Oriental Theatre. Joan Bennett is the leading lady, while Halliwell Hobbes also gives a good characterisation in the role of a detective. There is much interest in the film, which is well worth seeing!

MAIL REVIEW

"THE OLD DARK HOUSE"—CENTRAL THEATRE.

Certainly the most fascinatingly weird drama of strange situations and characters to be seen in Hong Kong for a long time is Universal's "The Old Dark House" which is now showing at the Central Theatre.

This unusual picture tells the story of storm driven travellers who seek shelter and the night's lodging in a dark, forbidding old house in the lonely Welsh mountains, only to discover its inhabitants are dangerously insane and under the spell of a malignant giant servant.

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5-8 p.m.—European programme.

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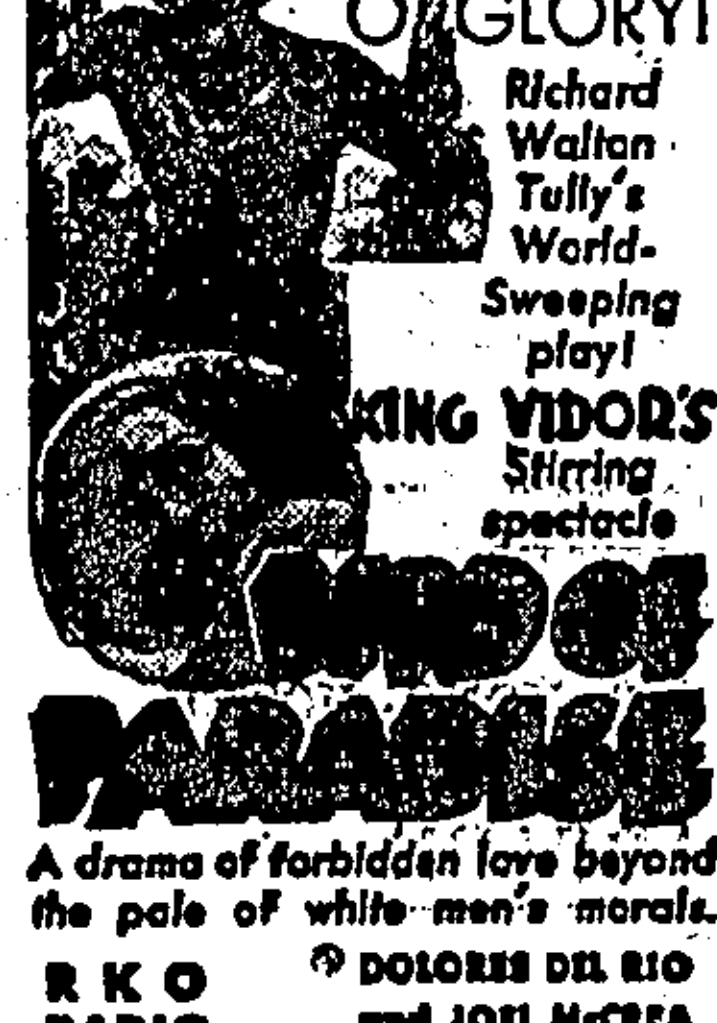
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It was stated that Liho went to Swatow from Mauritius. There he was to meet an uncle whom he had not seen for five years. He failed to locate him and became bankrupt. He arrived in Hong Kong and gave himself up to the Police.

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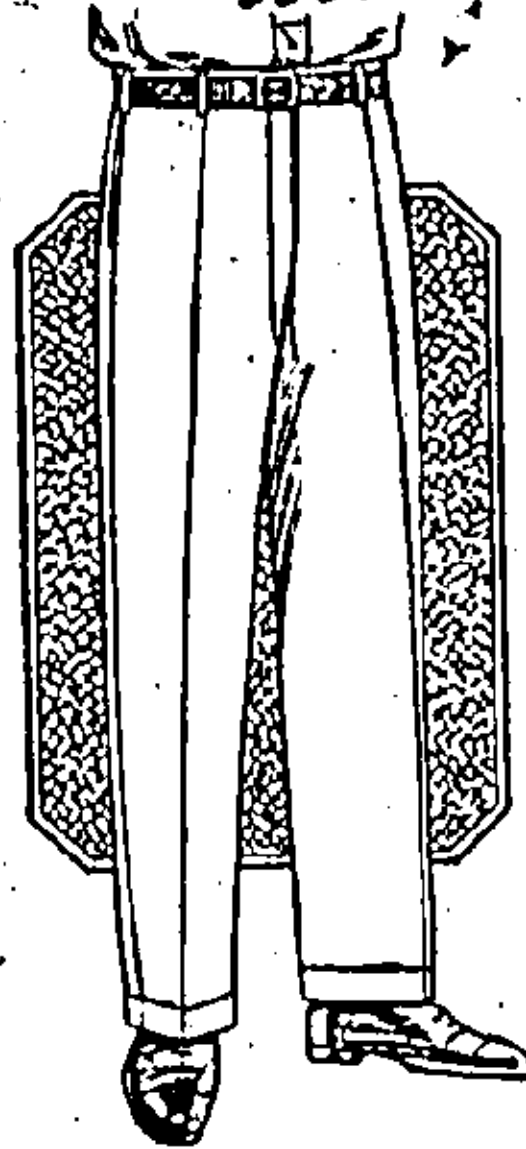
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The China Mail.

Hong Kong, Thursday, Jan. 12, 1933.

An American Inquiry Into War Debts.

At a moment which must seem most opportune the Brookings Institution of Washington has just published a valuable study on "War Debts and Prosperity." Attached to the Institution is an Institute of Economics, founded by the Carnegie Corporation, but administered by an independent board of trustees with the declared purpose that "the Institute shall be conducted with the sole object of ascertaining the facts about current economic problems and of interpreting these facts for the people of the United States in the most simple and understandable form." and the book just issued is an attempt by the Institute to fulfil this purpose so far as concerns the problem of inter-Governmental debts resulting from the War. It follows several previous studies published at different stages, and is a synthesis of all the Institute's earlier work on the subject extending over a period of ten years. It was put in hand after the Lausanne Conference, when the time seemed to have arrived for a restatement of "the principles upon which sound adjustments must eventually be based." The Institute has no doubt what those principles must be. Throughout the book, which is a closely reasoned and well-documented work of nearly 500 pages, the fundamental truth is emphasized that international payments can only be made in goods and in services; that a creditor nation can only be paid if it is willing to accept an adverse balance of trade; and that debtor countries can only pay if they have a net surplus of exports over imports. In this connexion it calls attention to the fundamental contradiction between the fiscal policy of the United States, which has been to secure payment, and the trade policy, which has made payment steadily more difficult. It explains how the attempts to transfer large sums from one currency to another have dislocated the exchanges, have strangled international trade, and have been largely responsible for the second stage of the depression, ushered in by the financial breakdown of Central Europe in the first half of 1931. Examining the effect of a possible remission of War debts upon the American tax-

payer, it points out that the depression reduced the yield of Federal revenues from \$4,033,000,000 in the year 1928-29 to \$3,317,000,000 in 1930-31, and says: "What has not been seen in contemplating the fiscal problem is that the losses to the Treasury from a remission of the debts would undoubtedly be greatly outweighed by the gains which would accrue to the Treasury with the recovery of business activity." The conclusions to which the Institute has been brought by its long study of the problem are:—1. A complete obliteration of all Reparation and War debt obligations would promote, rather than retard, world economic prosperity. 2. The collection of these inter-Governmental debts would be economically detrimental, rather than beneficial, to the creditor countries."

The Eleventh Hour.

If and when the twenty-four hour clock face comes into general use, the English language will lose a striking phrase. It will then be the lot of teachers, and perhaps ultimately of antiquaries, to explain to new generations the wealth of meaning that an expression so simple as the "eleventh hour" could once connote, from its first significance in the complaint of the workers who, having borne the burden and heat of the full day, found that they got no larger wage than the last-hour recruits, down to the solemn warning of the preacher bidding his hearers flee from the wrath to come. A feeling to compare small things with great is a commonplace of the individual life. Nor is it limited to the later periods of life. We all have experience of it at other times. It is only necessary to think of the examinations of our youth. At first the day of judgment looked negligible in the distance. There was plenty of time to take things easily and to work up gradually to the proper peak of effort. The weeks and the months slipped by. Before we knew where we were the cloud no bigger than a man's hand had become a black mass that filled the sky. Under that threatening shadow we toiled and slaved unconsciously through the brief space left, with lamentable results on temper, on health, and as likely as not, on performance in the actual test. It is a parable of what is constantly recurring throughout our lives. The resolves of each New Year resurrect themselves as reproachful ghosts in the antechamber of its successor. Bold determination fritters itself away in repeated and plausible postponements of decisive effort, until an anniversary or some other occasion of retrospect and revaluation reveals in a lightning flash the

HERE. THERE and EVERYWHERE.

Devil Worshipers of Irak. Irak is the first country to have been admitted into the League of Nations before its boundaries were definitely demarcated, for the frontier between Syria and Irak from 1920 up to the present has been a temporary one, observed only for purposes of administration.

At last, an international commission has laid down a revised border. The chief feature of its recommendations is that that quaint people known as the Yezidis, or devil worshippers, are to be included wholly in Irak. Hitherto that section living in the Jebel Sinjar has nominally been half in Syria and half in Irak.

This must be gratifying to Irak, whose treatment of minorities has been viewed in some quarters with suspicion.

Syria, however, has received distinct strategical advantage in the northern part of this disputed territory, where she is to keep Kara Chok.

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Flying Taxi-Drivers.

The formation of a Taxi Drivers' Flying Club is under way. It has come into existence under the wing of the Taxi Drivers' League, which has a membership of 7,000.

Mr. H. C. Manning, who is taking a leading part in organising the Flying Club, told me that they already have a nucleus of one hundred members. It is hoped to develop on the lines of the L.G.O.C. Sports Association Flying Club, which was formed last year. The 1,200 members of the L.G.O.C. Club pay a weekly subscription of 6d. They started with one machine, and now have two, which use in turn each of four London aerodromes as their base.

Your Daily Smile.

TACT.

In the language of flowers lilies of the valley are said to mean "I need money." I hear that many tactful tailors are printing reproductions of these blossoms on their bill-heads.

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Their Great Ambitions.

The small boy—to have a puff; the small girl—to have a puff.

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IN A FIX.

The film actor who was told to put a little life into his dying.

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AS ALWAYS.

An ex-heavyweight boxer has taken up pig-farming. Still earning a living with a pen.

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MEMORIES.

Fittings in the house of a Hollywood film actress are made of gold. All the curls are hung on her former wedding rings.

Facts You Did Not Know.

A grate has been invented for gas stove burners that drains away liquids from utensils that boil over and prevents the flames being extinguished.

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A Japanese oil company has succeeded in producing gasoline from an oil field in Formosa, where deposits of gas are believed to be inexhaustible.

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Five transport pilots in the United States have records of more than 10,000 hours in the air and about 300 have each flown more than 5,000 hours.

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New airplanes are being built that will carry ten passengers and their baggage, two pilots and 400 pounds of mail across the United States in five hours less than the present schedule.

gulf that still yawn between promise and performance. The tragedy of that eleventh-hour feeling in the individual life is precisely that no one knows when the eleventh hour is. Will it strike next year, or to-morrow? Or has it possibly already gone unnoticed into the limbo of dead sound, leaving us about to hear the clang of the fatal twelve? These are questions that no man can answer, either for himself or for another. The lesson is as clear to see as it is hard to learn. Stern precept though it may be, every hour should be met and lived as though it were the eleventh itself.

CAREER OF JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN

A PLEASING CHAPTER IN POLITICS

BIRMINGHAM'S DEVOTION

(By the Very Rev. Dean Inge, D.D., Dean of St. Paul's.)

The career of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain (who in the rest of this article will be named without prefix, since he has become part of national history) superficially resembles those of other notable demagogues who, after terrifying or shocking all men of moderate views and driving Conservatives into a state of apoplectic fury, and as quite moderate Liberals and defenders of the social order against revolution.

The enfant terrible, who has heard himself compared to Cagliostro and Robespierre and other enemies of the human race, ends by basking in the smiles of duchesses and holds his position by Conservative votes.

Sacrifice of Wealth.

His new allies say that experience and knowledge of the world have taught him wisdom. He is fortunate if his early associates do not add the name of Judas to the list of historical characters whom he is thought to resemble.

It is an honourable career from first to last. In deciding to devote himself to public life he gave up the certainty of becoming a very rich man, for his business capacity amounted almost to genius; he contented himself with a private income of a few thousands a year, when he consented to be bought out of the firm of Nettlefold and Chamberlain.

He was essentially a man of action and a born fighter. He hit hard, but he does not seem to have been vindictive; and, like other great organisers, he knew how to win the loyalty of his subordinates. There were no strikes in his works.

Acrid Nonconformity.

Like several other distinguished Victorians, he came of a strongly Nonconformist stock; one of his ancestors was ejected from his living at the Restoration after the Great Rebellion. Nonconformity at that time was acrid and bitter; some of its grievances were genuine.

One of the first causes which young Chamberlain took up was a controversy about education against the Established Church. These unifying squabbles went on for many years, with no credit to either party. The interests of the children were too often forgotten; what was clear was that both sides had so little confidence in the power of their arguments to convince the adult mind that they thought it very important to catch the children young.

Chamberlain had to free himself from his militant Nonconformist friends, who were rabid Disestablishers. It gradually dawned upon him that Disraeli's Reform Bill of 1837 had not only "dished the Whigs," but had most effectually "dished" political Nonconformity. The new voters were not interested in the vendetta against the Church.

The modern artisan, if he comes across his parson, finds him a hard-working man, often as poor as himself, and almost as likely to be a Socialist as a Tory. Besides, the relations between the Church of England and the Free Churches have been steadily growing more cordial.

Another early prejudice, which Chamberlain shed was republicanism. His friend Dilke went further than he did, but one or two of his utterances were gravely displeasing to Queen Victoria. To-day the working-man, who enjoys a little picturesque ceremonial, would no more think of attacking the Royal family than of throwing stones at the Lord Mayor or shooting the lions in the Zoo.

Chamberlain entered Parliament for the first time after many years of municipal office in Birmingham. His work in cleaning up that great city, which he found full of noxious slums, inhabited by people, who, through no fault of their own, were a little better than savages, and left a model of good government not only to Great Britain, but to the civilised world, is perhaps the most remarkable chapter in his life, and certainly the one to which his friends could point with the most unqualified admiration.

To a student of vital statistics, like myself, the page of this book which gives the comparative tables of mortality in the poorer parts of Birmingham before and after

Chamberlain's administration, is more eloquent than a whole chapter of laudation. He was directly responsible for saving thousands of lives, and he carried out a series of drastic reforms without overburdening the ratepayers.

The people of Birmingham repaid him with a lifelong devotion which is one of the most pleasing chapters in the squalid records of democratic politics.

England's Greatness. That he was hated by his political opponents is not surprising. Opposition always made him fierce, and occasionally outrageous. Those who have heard him speak remember well the edge that came into his beautifully modulated voice when he was in a combative mood. His was an ingratiating personality, though, as this book shows, his family affections and his friendships were warm.

The Tories of that generation, who called him a Socialist, a word then as abusive as "Bolshevik" is now, were quite mistaken. He believed strongly in the magic of private ownership as an incentive to work and patriotism; and he was very anxious to restore something like peasant proprietorship in the country districts. A prosperous peasantry, tilling their own land, is the most effective barrier against collectivism.

All through his life, Chamberlain was a strong believer in the greatness of England, and his temperament rebelled against the "peace at any price" doctrine of one school of Radicals. Disraeli and Randolph Churchill had both seen the possibilities of a new school of Tory Democracy, leaning towards imperialism in foreign politics. Chamberlain was nearer to them than to the middle-class Whigs, whom he disliked from the first.

Leaving Gladstone. Gladstone, strong Churchman and, in many ways, Conservative as he was, leaned heavily for support on the bourgeois Nonconformists, who disliked a spirited foreign policy for every reason, and not least because it meant higher taxes. Gladstone was a Chancellor of the Exchequer after their own heart. In his later administration the poor old man was nearly torn in pieces by the violent discords within his Cabinet; no man ever lived who was so well able to gloss over the contradictions in his own mind.

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News In Brief.

The wedding is announced between Major Glynn Evans, of Harbour View, Kowloon, and Miss Margery Mackereth, Penalt, Sketty, Swansea, en route for Hong Kong per s.s. Corfu.

Up to 4 p.m. yesterday, the time set, no nominations had been received for the two seats on the Licensing Board held by Mr. J. Owen Hughes and Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, whose terms of office expired on January 9.

Mr. B. Paul will speak on "The Great Pyramid" at the usual weekly public lecture of the Hong Kong Lodge, The Theosophical Society, 17 Queen's Road Central, to-day at 6 p.m. Members of the public are welcome.

"Among the Hairy Ains" was the title of an interesting lecture delivered by Mr. C. E. B. Clarabut, of Hong Kong University, at the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, Wanchai, last night in the presence of a large audience. Dr. K. H. Uttley presided.

A Chinese dinner party was given by the boys of the Matriculation Class of King's College at the Kwong Chau restaurant on Sunday evening to their class masters and mistresses. Among the masters present were Mr. A. Morris, Headmaster, Mr. Sung Hok-pang, head of the Chinese Staff, Messrs. T. J. Price, C. F. Rees, G. Sim, J. M. Wilson, Mr. Fox, Lo Kock-hung, and Mr. Langley. There were over twenty students present, including Lo Hung-hing, head prefect of King's College.



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VERNACULAR MIDDLE SCHOOL

MR. DE MARTIN PRESENTS PRIZES

MR. WOO'S ADDRESS ON CHINESE LITERATURE

The prizegiving of the Vernacular Middle School took place this morning. The Director of Education, Mr. G. P. de Martin, presented the awards, and after the Headmaster had read the report, Mr. H. K. Woo, LL.B., gave an interesting address on Chinese literature.

Among those present on the platform were Mr. Y. P. Law, Inspector of Vernacular Schools, Mr. Lo Hei-long and Mr. Fung Ping-wa.

Reading the report, the Headmaster said that with the closing of 1932 the school had passed the 7th year of its history. During the year they had welcomed the appointment of Mr. Chow Tung-sang and Mr. Fung Ping-wah as Hok Tung of the school.

The year had also witnessed a little change in the staff. Mr. Mak Kai-hung had left at the end of January and his work has been successfully taken up by Mr. Tsui Hung-kee, an Arts graduate of the University. Mr. Leung Kwong-chiu joined the staff in January, but was leaving the colony at the end of this month.

The maximum enrolment of the year was 251 against 262 in 1931 and 253 in 1930. The average daily attendance was 215.04 or 85.67 per cent., the number of school boys being 225.

They had been fortunate in the sphere of sports. For the 4th time the Senior Volley Ball Team retained the title of Runners-up for the Senior Championship of the Hong Kong School League.

Increasing enthusiasm had been shown in practising Basketball and Football.

Health Good.

In spite of the unfavourable surroundings the health of the school had been satisfactory on the whole. Very few boys had been absent on medical grounds.

The report concluded with an expression of thanks to the prize donors.

Chinese Literature.

Mr. Woo said:—"Recollecting my excursions in Chinese scholarship, and looking at the matter in the light of my life's experience, I will, in a few words and for what it is worth, give you the opinion which I have formed on the subject."

"Since the commencement of the Republic, the average man has become imbued with the idea that unless we Chinese adopt Western ways we cannot make any headway in this world. The Chinese have therefore been vying with one another in their endeavour to learn English; and as time goes on there have been less and less students in Chinese, and more and more students in English."

"Now, keenness in the pursuit of scientific knowledge and a desire for acquaintance with Western ideas, are a healthy sign. Often it amounts to rejecting what is unfit by adopting what is efficient. It must be remembered, however, that the history of the Chinese people covering thousands of years, their literary monuments, and the traditions and customs of China, in short everything which forms part and parcel of the Chinese civilisation, are only to be found in Chinese books and can only be understood by those who study the Chinese language."

"Unless we dig into the literary remains of eminent Chinese writers, and endeavour to get at their true interpretation, we cannot hope to be able to appreciate their true significance. We are most grateful to the educational authorities in this Colony for encouraging the study of Chinese in a locality where the study of English is becoming almost universal."

Material Gain.

"It has been said of the Chinese language, that it is a difficult subject to learn, and the reason for such assertion is not far to seek. Many there are who have assiduously tackled the subject for a decade without becoming tolerably proficient in it. On the other hand, three or four years in an English school will qualify a Chinese youth for some situation, and enable him to earn a living. Now

wonder some people think so much of English studies, and so little of Chinese. But as regards comparative difficulty the fact is that either language is as easy or as difficult to learn as the other.

"If the sole object of the student in English is to obtain some employment, then three or four years' study in that language will be amply sufficient for him. On the other hand, if his ambition is to be the equal of the average educated Englishman in his achievements, the Chinese student can never hope to gain his goal without putting in over 10 years of hard work, as it cannot be denied that the average Englishman will find it easier to learn English than the average Chinese."

"From this it will be seen that while it takes a Chinese 10 years at least to be fairly well educated in his own language, the same length of time will be required for him to become fairly proficient in English."

"As the years which a child can afford to spend on his studies are necessarily limited, it follows that the ordinary student cannot hope to be equally at home in both languages. The alternative is either to devote more time to English at the expense of his Chinese, which is the system in vogue in most Anglo-Chinese schools of this Colony, or to devote more time to Chinese at the expense of his English, which is the system peculiar to this Vernacular Middle School. I understand that the highest standard in English which the students in this school are expected to attain, is the junior local standard. One would naturally presume that the students in this school have plenty of time to study Chinese."

Select a Few Books.

The fact is too often overlooked that Chinese books are so numerous that even if one sacrifices all one's days and nights, he can never hope to go through them all. What seems to be the only way is to select a few of the best books and thoroughly master them."

"The best part of the Chinese civilization is contained in Chinese books. It would be a pity if they were entirely neglected. The Chinese literary monument might gradually disappear which would be a great loss to the world. There are numerous schools in this Colony where English is taught as the principal subject, whereas there is only one school, namely this Vernacular Middle School, where Chinese is taught as such."

Concluding his address, Mr. Woo paid a tribute to the efficient teaching of the Headmaster, Mr. Li, and his staff.

PRIZE LIST.

Normal Certificates:—Lau Hing-choi, Lau Kwong-hon, Leung King-mau, Tong Chung-kok, Fung Ping-shan Scholarship:—Lui King-tung, Tso Chung-chiu, Chow Choi, Kwok Chu-shing, Hon Tze-chiu.

Class Prizes.

Middle Class IV. year:—Lui King-tung, Wai Po-yam.
Middle Class III. year:—Tso Chung-chiu, Tso Ching-sun, Chan Yik-on.

Middle Class II. year:—Chau Choi, Wong Chu-him, Wai Chi-yan.

Middle Class I. year:—Chau Choi, Kwan Shiu-kim, Li Hin-kei, Li Cheung-po.

Normal Class II. year:—Lau Hing-choi, Tong Chung-kok, Pun Man-fai.

Normal Class I. year:—Wong Shiu-lut, Chung Kwok-choi, Tsui Kam-wing, Wong Shiu-lut.

H.P. Class, III. year:—Wan Tin-hung, Tung Wan-tat, Luk Tat-chuen, Wan Tin-hung.

H.P. Class II. year:—Wai Pok-wai, Ho Chi-wah, Li Seung-ngai, Wai Po-kwai.

H.P. Class I. year:—Chan Chung-kam, Yeung Shiu-lin, Lok Wang-yuen, Chan Chung-kam.

H.P. Class I. year:—Tsui Sai-tuen, Chu Chin-cheung, Yuen Kam, Leung Hing-lau.

H.P. Class I. year:—Pau Yee-huen, Chow Chen-shu, Fung Shiu-sheng, Fung Kwok-chung.

Subject Prizes English:—Middle

Correspondence.

Examination Protest.

(To the Editor, "China Mail.")

The Local Junior Civil Service Examination began on the 9th instant at Queen's College with a piece of dictation. The manner under which the dictation examination was conducted, could I think find no precedent elsewhere. The writer's view is shared by many experienced educationalists.

Altogether there were about four hundred candidates sitting for the examination, and they were assembled in the great hall of the College to be examined at the same time only by one man, whose voice was nothing but ordinary and who during the whole time stood on the far-end platform shouting to the huge crowd without any assistance whatsoever in his work, he being the sole examiner in the spacious hall.

Only the fortunate minority of the competitors, who sat near the examiner, could hear him clearly. Very many candidates complained bitterly. I am inclined to think that the Colonial Secretary will have sympathy with these poor young people.

Thanking you for your valuable space and enclosing my card.

"JUSTICE."

NOTABLE VISITORS IN COLONY.

Sir Miles Lampson And Sir Eric Teichman.

Sir Miles Lampson, K.C.M.G., C.B., M.V.O., British Minister to China since 1926, arrived in the Colony this morning on board the P. & O. liner Naldora, on his way to Shanghai. He is accompanied by Miss C. Lampson.

Sir Miles entered the Foreign Office in 1903, and was Secretary to the Garter Mission, Japan, in 1906. He was acting British High Commissioner in Siberia in 1920.

Sir Eric Teichman, K.C.M.G., C.I.E., Chinese Secretary to H.M. Legation at Peking since 1924, who was knighted in the New Year's Honours List, was also a passenger on the Naldora. Sir Eric is accompanied by Lady Teichman, and they are en route to Shanghai.

At Government House.

Sir Miles Lampson is staying at Government House as the guest of H.E. the Governor, Sir William Peel, until January 15, when he will pay a short visit to Canton. On his return, Sir Miles will proceed to Shanghai.

Personal Pars.

The Dowager Countess of Seafield, was among the passengers who arrived in Hong Kong this morning from London aboard the P. & O. s.s. Naldora.

Messrs. J. Brennon, J. Bright, M. Murphy, A. Nicoll, and T. K. Whelan, of the Hong Kong Police Department returned from Home leave on board the liner Naldora, which berthed at the Kowloon Wharf this morning.

Dr. W. B. A. Moore Deputy Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, accompanied by Mrs. Moore, returned to the Colony from London on board the s.s. Naldora to-day.

Class 1 Years Tung Wan-tat, H. P. 3 Year A Wai Po-kwai, H. P. 2 B Chan Chung-kam, H. P. 1 Year A Tsui Sai-tuen, H. P. 1 Year B Pau Yee-huen.

Chinese:—Middle Class 1 Year Kwan Shiu-kim, Normal 2 Year Yik Pak-yu, Normal 1 Year Lam Yung, H. P. 2 Years A Wai Po-kwai, H. P. 2 Year B Chan Chung-kam.

Chinese:—Higher Primary, 1st Year Chu Chum-cheong, (A), Yau Yee-huen, (B).

Normal Subjects:—Normal Class 2 Year, Lam Yiu-kee, 1 Year Tsui Kam-wing.

Mathematics and Science:—Middle Class 1 Year Li Hin-kei, Normal 2 Year Lau Hing-choi, Normal 1 Year Chung Kwok-choi.

Painting, for Whole School:—Lai Chung-yiu, Chung Yuet-tim.

Sport Prizes.

Volley Ball:—Middle Class 1 Year (Captain) Lo Pak-ning, Chung Sau-pang, Hui Hin-fat, Lam Yiu-kee, Lo Ping-leung, Wong Sui-cheuk, Tam Ping-cheung, Yuen Koi-po, Lai Chung-yip, Ko Sau-ching.

Ping-Pong:—Middle Class 1 Year (Captain) Lo Pak-ning, Chung Sau-pang, Hui Hin-fat, Lam Yiu-kee, Lo Ping-leung, Wong Sui-cheuk, Tam Ping-cheung, Yuen Koi-po, Lai Chung-yip, Ko Sau-ching.

Chen-kai, Yu Hin-ze.

To-Day's Short Story.

PATTERSON'S LUCK

By Rolf Bennett.

ALMOST spent with his long battle against the waves, John Patterson was on the point of giving up the struggle when, borne upwards on the bosom of a great roller his despairing eyes caught sight of a vessel just ahead of him. He was too exhausted to shout, besides which, the vessel being to windward of him, even a strong voice could scarcely have carried as far.

Nevertheless, the knowledge that succour was almost within reach revived his waning energy and lent him fresh courage. Besides, it seemed unreasonable to suppose that, after escaping the fate of his shipmates, who, to a man, had been sucked down in the vortex caused by their sinking ship, he should be beaten with rescue actually in sight. So he struck out doggedly, breasting the huge combers that swept down upon him with their foaming white manes of wind-whipped spray. His great fear now was that the vessel ahead, though under bare poles, would drift faster than he could swim and so disappear into the approaching night.

He soon discovered, however, that he was gaining on her and, as he drew nearer still, that she was anchored bow and stern. Encouraged by such an extraordinary piece of luck, he redoubled his efforts till at last, breathless and spent, he reached the bower-anchor cable and clutched at it. Setting

a foot in one of the links he was able to rest for a moment before starting to swim up the cable.

It was near dark now, and he marvelled at his amazing good fortune in having seen and reached this vessel in the falling light. Things did not usually happen that way for John Patterson; on the contrary, "Patterson's luck" had been synonymous among his shipmates for any particularly evil stroke of fortune.

Presently, having recovered his breath, he proceeded to climb up the cable. Reaching the bulwarks, he dragged himself over them and tumbled to the deck, where he lay for a while almost unconscious with fatigue.

TO-MORROW'S STORY.

To-morrow's short story will be "Dearth's Farm," by Gerald Bullett.

Recovering somewhat, and sitting up, he became aware of a strange, uncanny silence; not a complete silence, for the sea was splashing over the fo'c'sle and the wind moaning through the rigging; but an absence of all human sounds. He noticed, also, that there were no lights, either on deck or showing from below. Yet, since the vessel was at anchor, she could have been abandoned.

Still, puzzling as these things might be, John Patterson was less concerned about them than the necessity of obtaining food and warmth. Staggering to his feet, he peered through the gloom for the cuddy where, if there were any food at all on board, it was most likely to be found. It was then that he saw, with something of a shock, a dim figure at the wheel aft, leaning over it and apparently gazing fixedly at the compass. Apart from the curious rigidity of the figure, it struck John Patterson as strange that a man should be stationed at the wheel of an anchored vessel. Conscious of a vague uneasiness, he raised his voice and shouted:

"Ahoy there, mate!"

No answer came from the figure at the wheel, neither did it look up nor stir. Shivering now from something more than cold, John Patterson again shouted and with the same result.

At that, the dreadful suspicion which had been forming in his mind became a certainty: the silent, motionless thing bent over the wheel must be a corpse. Instinctively he drew away, clutching hold of the shrouds to steady himself. Had he not done so, he would have collapsed with horror, for his movement had brought into view two more silent and motionless figures hitherto concealed from him by the cuddy amidships. They stood upon the main hatch, stark upright and stiff, corpses remaining unaccountably upon their feet.

This then was a ship of dead men, and he the only living soul aboard. Well, even so, he reflected, it was not quite as bad as being dead himself. If only he could—at this point John Patterson's eyes almost started from his head, for the things upon the main hatch had moved, nodded at him in unison, while the head of the one at the wheel had rolled as though the neck was dislocated. Not for some moments did he realise that these movements were due solely to the motion of the vessel as she tugged at her moorings. Then he almost laughed, so great was his relief.

This anti-climax, as it were, to his terror, made him keenly aware once more of his physical sufferings; his hunger and the icy cold wind that seemed to be biting into his very bones. Yet not for a smoking banquet would he have passed those grim figures keeping their ghastly watch in the gathering darkness. All the same, he knew that if he remained on deck all night he would probably die of exposure.

So, not daring to run the gauntlet of those gruesome sentinels in order to reach the cabins aft, John Patterson peered around him, and presently found the fo'c'sle hatch. It was shut, but he managed to open it, and descending the companion ladder, found himself in utter darkness. For an instant he paused, fearful of unseen things, but the comparative warmth of the place after the cold, wind-swept deck was too good to abandon.

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CHENG'S PETITION REFUSED.

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Sensational evidence was given in the course of the trial features of which were the calmness of Cheng and the grilling cross-examination of the principal Crown witnesses Edward Zimmern, Sydney Cecil Christie and the driver, Tsui Yung-sham, by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, K.C.

The case was taken before the Chief Justice, Sir Joseph Kemp and Mr. Justice Wood, in the Full Court in September when the defence argued on the inadmissibility of the evidence of Zimmern and Christie. Mr. H. G. Sheldon, who led for the Crown, argued that their stories had not been shaken one iota in cross-examination. The Full Court upheld the conviction, and sentence of death was passed on September 14.

Since then, Cheng's application for appeal to the Privy Council was dismissed by the Judicial Committee on December 14. Cheng's last effort to save himself from the gallows was the Chinese petition for clemency, which was dismissed by the Governor-in-Council this morning.

Prominent Counsel.

Counsel in the case were:—For the Crown, Mr. H. G. Sheldon and Mr. E. E. Lindell (Assistant Attorney General). For the defence, Mr. Eldon Potter, K. C., Mr. F. C. Jenkin, K. C., and Mr. R. C. H. Lim, instructed by Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton.

The following Special Jury was empanelled:—Mr. G. S. Archbutt, foreman, (Fire Manager, Union Insurance Society of Canton), Mr. D. M. Biggar (Manager, The Chase Bank), Mr. J. H. Jessen (Partner, Jebben & Co.), Mr. P. S. Cassidy (Partner, John D. Hutchison & Co.), Mr. Kam Tong-po (Chief Manager, Bank of East Asia, Ltd.), Mr. K. E. Grieg (Manager, Talkoo Dockyard and Engineering Co., Ltd.), and Mr. M. T. Johnson (Partner MacKinnon, Mackenzie & Co.).

Lack of evidence caused Mr. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning to discharge five Chinese men and a woman who were charged with possession of a packet of pepper, a wooden reel, and a wine cup (unlawful instruments), and also with alleged conspiracy to rob a family named Wong in the Wan-chai district, recently. Detective Sergeant Kennedy prosecuted for the Police.

WEATHER FORECAST.

North-east winds, fresh, cloudy, is forecasted in the weather report issued from the Royal Observatory to-day. Drizzle & rain is expected.



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CLUB LOSE TO NAVY BY 5 TO 3

Divett Registers "Hat
Trick."

BARTLETT ALSO SCORES
THREE AND EADEN TWO.

(By CENTRE HALF.)

The Hong Kong Hockey Club first eleven were defeated by the Navy by 5 goals to 3 on the Naval ground, King's Park yesterday afternoon in a friendly fixture.

The game was played at a very fast pace throughout, and the Navy's victory was thoroughly deserved, as their forwards were speedier and combined with much better understanding than their opponents.

H. W. Lee, the Club goalkeeper, was off form. But the light was bad yesterday afternoon, and conditions were far from ideal for hockey.

Faulty positioning of their forwards lost the game for the Club. Contrary to expectations, F. E. Lammert, the Shamene Club player, made his debut on the left wing, but he was not impressive. On the right wing, C. C. Francis, who usually plays inside-left, was wasted. A. T. Lay, who has not been shining on the left wing lately, occupied the inside left position, and played better hockey, but was far from brilliant.

With nine Midway players, the Navy displayed their superiority in the early stages of the first half, keeping up constant attacks until half-time when the score was one-all. In the second half, however, the Navy fell away slightly, and the game concluded with the Club pressing.

Donald, on the right wing, played a brilliant game, but Pottet marked him admirably. In the Navy forward line, however, all from the Midway, were speedy with Currey a very able leader.

CLUB FORWARDS SCRAPPY.
The Club forwards were scrappy, and Divett had difficulty in getting them away. Williams, the Welsh international, was the only one to display good form.

After the Navy had been pressing for some considerable period, during which Eaden and Currey just missed with one or two fast shots, the Club took up the attack. A good movement saw Williams pass to Divett, who made no mistake with his shot to give the Club the lead. Towards the middle of the half, Bartlett equalised for the Navy with a shot that struck the top of the net.

In the second half, Divett put the Club ahead, but Bartlett again equalised with a ground shot. Shortly after Eaden found the net, but the Club attacked, and Divett rushed in to score the equaliser with a fine one-handed shot, thus completing his "hat-trick". Bartlett placed the Navy ahead, and towards the end, Eaden scored a beautiful goal from a pass from Donald.

The Club's defence, on the whole, was solid. Roger and E. V. Reed worked hard, especially the latter who was responsible for breaking up many dangerous moves initiated by Currey. W. Reed played his usual steady game.

Result:
Club 3
Navy 5
Navy: Ldg. Sigm. Evans (H.M.S. Medway); Lt. Comdr. McVicker (H.M.S. Medway); Lt. Burcott (H.M.S. Tamar); Lt. Campbell (H.M.S. Kent); Lt. White (H.M.S. Medway); Lt. Lloyd (H.M.S. Medway); Sub-Lt. Donald (H.M.S. Medway); Sub-Lt. Eaden (H.M.S. Medway); Lt. Currey (H.M.S. Medway); Lt. Bartlett (H.M.S. Medway); Lt. Blimington (H.M.S. Medway).
Club: H. W. Lee; J. Rodger; E. V. Reed; W. A. Reed; A. A. Dand; J. E. Pottet; C. C. Francis; W. E. Williams; G. E. R. Divett; A. T. Lay; F. E. Lammert.

K.C.C. TENNIS TEAM AGAINST LINCOLNS

The Kowloon Cricket Club, which defeated H.M.S. Kent recently in a tennis tournament, are playing a team from the Lincoln Regiment on Sunday at 2.30 p.m.

The following will represent the K.C.C.:
E. C. Fincher, A. P. H. Macanlay, P. O. Dunne, R. E. Hambley, G. C. Burnett, and N. A. E. Mackay.
Reserve: D. S. Green.

The Victoria Chess Club defeated the German Club by 4½ matches to 2½ at Lane Crawford's last night. Sir Henry Pollock won his game and Miss Engle, the only lady player, lost to C. E. Moore.

NAVY BOXERS FOR TO-MORROW WARNES SUFFERING FROM INJURED KNEE

DAVIES MAY STAGE COMEBACK

HALL'S PERFECT UPPERCUT FELS
McCANN LIKE A LOG.

(By Ringsider).

JUDGING from the material seen in the thirteen eliminating bouts of the China Fleet Open Team Boxing Championships at the Naval Canteen last night the Semi-Finals and the Finals, which will be decided to-morrow night at the Lee Theatre at 9 p.m., should provide the best boxing the Colony has seen for a very long time.

There are five boxers of first-class standard competing, and the bout between A. B. Warnes, 1930 welterweight champion of the Navy, and Ldg. Sea. Davies, 1923 welterweight champion of the Combined Fleets, will probably be the outstanding light on to-morrow night's programme. Warnes is suffering from a knee injury and Davies is an old campaigner with considerable experience, so that the bout should be a very open one.

A. B. Ewin, middleweight champion of Hong Kong and the China Coast, will be seen in action, and followers of boxing will remember his epic struggle against Jock Creighton before his departure for England. A. B. Judge, 1929 heavyweight champion of the Fleet, and A. B. Farrar, 1932 featherweight champion of Shanghai, are two other leading personalities.

Lt. Comdr. Stephenson, the Irish International Rugby player, is to be congratulated on the way he has promoted the Tournament, and there is no reason to believe that it will not be the success that he hopes it to be. He informs me that the Commander-in-Chief Sir Howard Kelly K.C.B. C.M.G., M.V.O., hopes to distribute the trophies at the conclusion of to-morrow night's programme. Lt. Comdr. Stephenson and Comdr. Bayley will be the referees.

The Commander-in-Chief's Band will play selections before the Tournament commences and during the interval. Booking is now open at Moutries—\$5 for ringside seats; \$3 for stalls and auditorium; and \$1 for other seats. All these prices include tax.

Lt. Comdr. Stephenson is staging the Tournament in an endeavour to swell the funds of the Naval Recreation Club. He has every reason to be optimistic as the Lee Theatre is capable of holding 3,000 people, and the booking plan at Moutries is filling up quickly.

LAST NIGHT'S BOUTS.

One of the cleanest knock-outs was witnessed last night when Tel. McCann was sent to the boards 20 seconds after coming up for the second round of his fight with L. Sea Hall. Launching a whirlwind attack on his opponent from the bell Hall delivered a perfectly timed upper cut which sent McCann down like a log. He hit his head on the boards with a terrific thud, but fortunately no serious injury was inflicted.

A. B. Brand fought pluckily against A. B. Farrar, but was forced to retire in the third round with a nasty looking cut over his eye. In the other fights at this weight A. B. Downes gave a very favourable display to beat Tel. Smith on points, and he looks as if he will give Farrar a close fight in the Final. Farrar's hand is not in the best of condition, and thus seriously handicapped, he may find himself hard pressed by the two-fisted attacks of Downes.

HILL'S AMAZING PLUCK.

A. B. Wright gave a good display against an old favourite in S. P. O. Robinson, and deservedly won on points. He will, however, find in Hall a very formidable opponent, though Wright's superior speed should stand him in good stead. It looks as if the Lightweight Final will be contested between A. B. Baldwin and L. Sea. Hall with a very close fight in the offing.

A. B. Pringle gave a plucky display against A. B. Warnes, but he was outclassed by a speedier and

HOCQUARD'S 93.

The Royal Marines from H.M.S. Tamar just succeeded in beating the Lincoln in a rifle shooting contest at Stonecutters yesterday. The scores were 696—693! Lt. Hocquard was easily the leading marksman with 93 to his credit; Sgt. Dittie-wood being second with 85.

more powerful hitter. Warnes lacked the "fire" which made him such a favourite in bouts at the City Hall, but this was probably due to an injured knee which was well bandaged. Warnes will have to do better than this if he is to stage off Davies' comeback.

A. B. Dawson had a close fight with L. Sto. Bartlett, the latter making a magnificent recovery in the second and third rounds after receiving heavy punishment in the opening exchanges. Dawson will now meet A. B. Thompson who knocked A. B. Fudge to the boards twice in the first round to be awarded a technical knock out. It is difficult to say who will enter the Final as little was seen of Thompson, but Dawson recently beat him in the Fleet Amateur Championship.

A. B. Shreve and A. B. Hill provided a toe-to-toe slugging match and true British grit was displayed, by Hill, who was heavily punished and floored twice in the second round before the judges awarded Shreve the fight. Hill was undoubtedly the best loser of the evening.

The Heavyweight Semi-Finals proved the most disappointing of the evening. Mne. Lewis was quite 6ins. taller than Sto. Wilson and won a farcical bout on points. The stoker gave a good display, but was unable to get to close quarters owing to his opponent's longer reach. In the other bout A. B. Judge was given a walk over from Mne. Hovells.

The following were the positions occupied by the various teams at the conclusion of last night's bouts:

H.M. 8th Destroyer Flotilla	23
H.M.S. Hermes	12
H.M.S. Kent	9
H.M.S. Cornwall	5
H.M.S. Medway & Subs.	5
H.M.S. Tamar & Small Ships	3

RESULTS OF LAST NIGHT'S BOUTS.

FLYWEIGHT
Sto. Rowlands (Cornwall) beat Sto. Brittain (8th D.F.) on points.

FEATHERWEIGHT
A. B. Farrar (Hermes) beat A. B. Brand (8th D. F.) on a T.K.O. in the third round.
Sto. King (Kent) beat A. B. Gardiner (Cornflower) on points.
Sto. Preston (8th D. F.) beat Sto. Evans (Medway) on points.
A. B. Downes (Hermes) beat Tel. Smith (Kent) on points.

LIGHTWEIGHT
A. B. McBride (8th D. F.) beat A.B. Morgan (Cornwall) on points.
A. B. Wright (8th D. F.) beat S. P. O. Robinson (Hermes) on points.
L. Sea. Hall (Bruce) knocked out Tel. McCann (Medway) in the second round.

WELTERWEIGHT
A. B. Warnes (Hermes) beat A. B. Pringle (Medway) on points.

MIDDLEWEIGHT
A. B. Dawson (8th D. F.) beat L. Sto. Bartlett (Hermes) on points.
A. B. Thompson (Cornwall) beat A. B. Fudge (8th D. F.) on a T.K.O. in the first round.

HEAVYWEIGHT
A. B. Shreve (8th D. F.) beat A. B. Hill (8th D. F.) on a T.K.O. in the second round.

TOMORROW'S PROGRAMME
(Two 2-minute rounds and one 3 minute-round.)

FLYWEIGHT FINAL
A. B. Rowlands (Hermes) v. Sto. Rowlands (Cornwall)

BANTAMWEIGHT FINAL
A. B. Sharpe (8th D. F.) v. A. B. Read (8th D. F.)

FEATHERWEIGHT SEMI-FINALS
A. B. Farrar (Hermes) v. Sto. King (Kent)
Sto. Preston (8th D. F.) v. A. B. Downes (Hermes)

LIGHTWEIGHT SEMI-FINALS
A. B. McBride (Hermes) v. A. B. McBride (8th D. F.)
A. B. Wright (8th D. F.) v. L. Sea. Hall (Bruce)

WELTERWEIGHT SEMI-FINALS
S. P. O. Skene (8th D. F.) v. L. Sea. Davies (Hermes)
A. B. Payne (8th D. F.) v. A. B. Warnes (Hermes)

MIDDLEWEIGHT SEMI-FINALS
A. B. Ewin (Kent) v. A. B. Christie (Medway)
A. B. Dawson (8th D. F.) v. A. B. Thompson (Cornwall)

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT FINAL
A. B. Hovells (Kent) v. A. B. Shreve (8th D. F.)

HEAVYWEIGHT FINAL
Mne. Lewis (Kent) v. A. B. Judge (8th D. F.)

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Manila Team Staying Over.

The Interport Golf Dinner will be held on Monday, January 30 when the Shanghai and Manila teams will be the guests of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club.

The Manila team has decided to prolong their stay in the Colony and will remain in Hong Kong until February 3 instead of January 28. They are arriving on January 24, a day later than the Shanghai team, who are leaving the Colony on February 1.

MAMAK WIN FOR SIGNALS.

Whiteway-Wilkinson
Scores Only Goal.

A GOAL scored by Lieut. Whiteway-Wilkinson gave the Signals victory over the R.A.M.C. in a Mamak Tournament hockey match yesterday afternoon.

The match, which was played on the Marina ground, was very scrappy.

R.A.S.C. WIN.

At Sookunpoo, in another Mamak match, the R.A.S.C. gained a creditable victory over the University whom they defeated by 2 goals to nil.

KENT WIN

Club "A" Beaten In Last
Five Minutes.

MID. SMITH OUTSTANDING.

H. M. S. Kent were fortunate to defeat the Club "A" fifteen by two tries (6 points) to a goal (5 points) after the Club had held the lead until the last five minutes, yesterday afternoon on the Club ground.

Torrible worked hard stemming the Kent's attack and was responsible for a number of fine openings. The Club and Kent were fairly even in the first half, though the Club broke away to score their only try through Peers, Lawson adding the goal points.

In the second half the Club carried out a number of raids in the Kent's half, but Harbord was weak, trying to cut in to the posts instead of making for the corner flag where he would have got over on more than one occasion.

Mid. Smith was outstanding for the Kent, making two good break-aways, but he lacked support. The last five minutes of the game were thrilling, the Navy scoring their first try through Mid. Smith, who took the ball at his feet the length of the Club half to touch down just as Fox tackled him. Lieut. Morris just failed to convert in the bad light.

From the kick-off the Navy once again took play in to the Club half, and scored their second try within a few minutes, Gisborne picking up to go over midway between the posts and the touchline. Lieut. Morris struck the cross bar with his attempt to convert.

Lieut. Ball, R.N. lined up the following teams:
H.M.S. Kent:—Mid. Henderson; A. B. Leen, Mne. Heaps, A. B. McManus, A. B. Lanaway; Mid. Smith and Lt. Stkr. Dowden; Sig. Aitken, Sub. Lieut. Stitt; Mid. Bintlcy, Sig. Penny, Sgt. Fordham, Lieut. Wood, Lt. Stkr. Gisborne and Lieut. Morris.
Club "A":—A. F. Jenkins; W. E. Peers, N. M. Cochrane, S. J. H. Fox, A. H. Harbord; A. D. Lawson and A. W. Torrible; F. R. Burch, R. Stillard, F. G. Nigel, R. I. Czerill, E. Walkden, S. H. Garrod and F. H. King.

CLUB RUGBY TEAM.

The following will represent the Club in their triangular tournament game against the Navy on the Club ground on Saturday at 4 p.m.:
J. P. Whitham; J. J. Ferguson, W. H. B. Rigg, R. H. Griffiths and G. P. Lammert; M. W. Turner and J. A. R. Selby (Capt.); W. Kerr, J. H. McElney, G. C. Moutrie, W. E. Peers, J. H. Bradford, A. P. Hall-Thompson, A. K. Munro and J. C. Miller.

BILLIARDS WINNERS.

B. Silva (250) beat W. A. Palmer (125) in the First Round of the Colony Billiards Championship last night. Silva's best break was 33.
C. P. O. Simmonds (250) beat F. Bimblecombe (148), also in the First Round. The loser's highest break was 32, and Simmonds chalked up a 22.

SPORT PAGE

Soccer Personalities

D. Leonard.

(ST. JOSEPH'S)



D. Leonard one of the players selected by the St. Joseph's Football Club to visit Manila this month to take part in football games during the Carnival Week, has a remarkable football record.

Commenting his football career at the early age of 13, Leonard later played for St. Joseph's in the Third Division with marked success.

He was later promoted to the premier eleven, and has since toured Siam with a Combined Chinese team.

Leonard has always played for St. Joseph's and has played in the centre forward position with considerable success, being leading goal-scorer in the Saints team for the past three years.

He will together with the Gosano brothers be the most marked man on the field in the games against teams in the Philippines.

FOOTBALL OFFENDERS SUSPENDED

Three Cases Before The H.K.F.A.

The following cases of football offenders came up before the Emergency-Sub-Committee of the H.K.F.A. yesterday evening at the Hong Kong Football Association's Board room and received the following penalties:

Tam Kong-pak, who was ordered off in the match between South China and the Navy, was suspended for two weeks with effect from January 10.

Tang Ching-pak, the captain of the Chinese Athletic Club, whose name was taken because he refused to disclose the names of two of his players who left the field without the referee's permission, was suspended for three weeks from December 30.

Wong Cho-look, who was ordered off for a foul in the Third Division game last Saturday between South China and the Radio, was suspended until February 28.

Civilians Should Beat Army in Lai Wah Cup

THE second tie in the Lai Wah Cup knockout competition between the Civilians and the Army will take place on Saturday at Sookumpoo at 3.30 p.m. sharp.

Both teams have their strongest representatives playing, and the game should develop into a first-class battle.

The Civilians are expected to win the tie by a very narrow margin, but nobody will be surprised if the result is reversed.

The Army team have the services of two excellent backs in Allen and Mullane, and a splendid half back trio in Barber, Pardoe and Podmore.

The Civilians' strength is apparent in all departments. Hill and the Gosano brothers should be live wires in the attack.

The game should serve as an extra Interport trial and the form of several leading players will be watched with interest. Barber, who would have been given the centre-half position in the Interport side in Shanghai last November, had he been fit, has been placed at right half in favour of Pardoe, who took

The Blake & Baldry Partnership

Selection Committee Faced With Difficult Problem

"ANDY" DUNCAN SHOULD BE IN THE SIDE

(By Outside Left.)

TODAY'S Interport Trial should prove a very good test for the Selected Eleven, who have been pitted against the Navy. The Navy, although by no means the best team in Hong Kong, always give a good account of themselves, and can be relied upon to give the trial team a good fight.

Both teams are almost of the same strength, although the trial team have a better defence.

The team selected is about the strongest the Colony have put out for some time, but this team is by no means final. The Selection Committee will experiment this afternoon with the defence and the left wing of the forwards.

Hill, who has been chosen in preference to A. V. Gosano in the centre forward position, is an excellent man for the position and fully deserves his trial. His play is good and his passes-out to his

SOUTH CHINA PLAYER INELIGIBLE.

IT is regretted all round that the brilliant Chinese trio, Ip Pak-wa, Fung King-cheong and Tam Kong-pak, are still residents of Canton and therefore ineligible for Interport honours.

Fung King-cheong and his two inside men have already played in Interport Football, but they cannot do so this year as they reside in Canton, and under the Interport bye-law are not allowed to represent the Colony.

wings have always been a feature of his game. Hill's only handicap is that he is of small stature and might find himself pitted against a big man in Gash—if he is selected to play for the Interport team.

A. V. Gosano, probably the Colony's finest centre-forward, will be playing in partnership with his brother B. Gosano on the right wing, and these two should prove the most dangerous pair of forwards in this afternoon's game.

LEFT WING PROBLEM. The most interesting experiment will be that of the Blake-Baldry partnership.

The left wing has always given

the Selection Committee food for thought, and although they have had no difficulty in the past in finding an inside left and winger, the coming Interport should certainly set them thinking hard.

Blake of Kowloon has been given the inside left position this afternoon in preference to Jones of the Borderers, who played in the last trials, but who disappointed in the two final matches. Suen Kam-shun who played in that position in the last Interport, is now in Shanghai, and will probably play for the North-east city if he can fulfil the Association's bye-law of one month's residence.

Blake's inclusion in the team has caused some surprise. He is by no means the best the Colony have at their disposal at the moment, and he has not given of his best within the last month. What the Selection Committee's intentions are with regard to this position it is hard to say, but if anyone deserved a trial, it is Yeung Shui-yeok, who played a dazzling game against the Artillery on the left wing for South China on Sunday last.

POSSIBILITIES OF YEUNG. Yeung is a born footballer possessing wonderful ball control, an excellent left-footed kick, and a very good sense of direction. He shows little hesitation in tackling a man, and is an excellent spoiler.

The selection of Baldry as left winger has caused a mild sensation in view of his recent failure. He gave a good account of himself prior to and during the last Interport with Shanghai, but he has since slackened off considerably.

Baldry is a good winger, but he lacks speed, and is not a very good spoiler. His place could be better filled by Seal of the Gunners, who besides being a perfect left winger uses his football brains to advantage. Seal's display on Sunday

SHANGHAI HAVE THEIR TROUBLES.

SHANGHAI have been unfortunate to lose the services of "Darkie" Chen for the coming Interport with Hong Kong, and L. F. Stokes, North-east's most promising full back who is on the injured list.

Stokes sustained an injured knee in an international game, while Chen has been suspended for 12 months for walking off the field without the referee's permission in the China's versus Tung Wah game at Pioneer Field.

last was very much of the same standard as that of Yeung Shui-yeok, the pair featuring largely in their team's share of praise.

The left-half position has been given to Leung Wing-chui in preference to "Andy" Duncan, who gave a brilliant display in the Interport against Shanghai.

Duncan possesses what many local footballers lack—unbounded stamina. He certainly should not be dropped from the team. On the other hand Leung Wing-chui also justifies inclusion in a trial, having risen remarkably quickly in the football world since the last Interport.

His display against the Shanghai Combined Chinese was outstanding, the feature of his play being his quick tackles and the excellent manner in which he fed his forwards. His defensive game is also excellent, but he lacks the stamina of Duncan.

If both Duncan and Leung are to gain recognition, Bliss should be dropped. Bliss has given a good showing

LEAGUE FOOTBALL ON SATURDAY

No. First Division Encounters.

LEAGUE Football has again been forced to yield first place to representative games. The Lai Wah Cup game so handicaps the European First Division clubs that it has only been found possible to stage six Second and four Third Division matches on Saturday.

The following is the full League programme with the results of the first encounter (where possible) given in brackets:—

SECOND DIVISION

South China (5) v Eastern (0) (Caroline Hill, 2.30)
Navy (-) v Kowloon (-) (Kowloon, 2.30)
St. Joseph's (0) v Tsung Tsai (1) (St. Joseph's, 2.30)
Club (0) v Borderers (12) (Club, 2.30)
Lincolns (0) v Athletic (1) (Chatham Rd., 2.30)
Artillery (3) v Ewo (2) (Valley, 2.30)

THIRD DIVISION

St. Joseph's (4) v Signals (1) (St. Joseph's, 4 p.m.)
Athletic (4) v Recreo (0) (Valley, 4 p.m.)
South China (2) v University (3) (Kowloon, 4 p.m.)

SUNDAY'S GAMES THIRD DIVISION

R.A.S.C. (3) v Engineers (0)
Borderers (4) v Taikoo (1)

JUNIOR GAME POSTPONED.

The Third Division League game between the Radio and the Lincolns, which was to have been played on Saturday, has been postponed at the request of the Radio Sports Club.

In the last three games for Kowloon, but he still lacks the sense of direction, in spite of being one of the best halves in the Colony. He is one of the tallest footballers in the League and uses his head to advantage, but, in spite of this, he cannot send the ball in the right direction.

Duncan should be given another trial with Pardoe and Leung; they are the best two in the Colony.

SOUND DEFENCE.

Pardoe fully justifies his inclusion in the team after last Sunday's game. Rodger, in goal, is perfectly safe and needs no comment. The two backs, Allen, and Strange should prove a formidable combination and should stem the Navy attack.

Mullane is not the full-back he was two months ago and with Blackbourne (Police), Li Tin-sang (South China) and Allen (Artillery) knocking at the Interport door his selection is by no means certain.

Wong Mei-shun is another of the triumphant Interport team who has shown poor form and his exclusion in favour of A. V. Gosano caused little surprise. Howe and Suen are both out of the Colony and with Baldry showing poor form the Interport forward line of November looks as if it will be totally revised, especially if B. Gosano displaces the nippy Cheng Shu-hong.

The following are the selected players who will play against the Royal Navy:—

Rodger (Club); Allen (R.A.); Strange (Club); Leung Wing-chui (South China); Pardoe (captain) (R.A.); S. Bliss (Kowloon); B. Gosano (St. Joseph's); A. V. Gosano (St. Joseph's); Hill (Kowloon); Blake (Kowloon); Baldry (Borderers); Reserves: Blackburn (Police); A. Duncan (Club); and Wong Mei-shun (South China).

Navy: Bottorill; Baker; Newman; Davey; Shirras; Robertson; Warner; Usher; Rawson; Fisher and Hudspitt. Reserves: Chadwick and Gomm.

HOME FOOTBALL FORECAST in To-morrow's China Mail



BABE RUTH, the greatest drawing card in the history of Baseball, is to have his presidential salary of \$75,000 per annum reduced to \$50,000 this year. In the 1930 and 1931 seasons he received \$80,000 on a two-year contract, but last year and again this year his figures have shown a decline owing to the depression. Last year he played his 19th season in the American League and, besides helping the New York Yankees to win the World Series Championship, he hit over 40 homers in a season for the 11th time in his career.

Sim Shield Hockey Tourney Ends

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(By Centre Half.)

THE SIM SHIELD, which has been competed for annually by the Hong Kong Hockey Club, the Navy and the Army since 1925, is no more in existence.

The withdrawal of the three teams from the Sim Shield was decided upon by the Club, the Navy and the Army, who are all affiliated to the English Hockey Association, which forbids competitive hockey for a trophy. The matter was first brought up by the Navy following the Mamak Hockey Tournament ruling.

The decision to abolish the competition for the Shield presented by Mr. E. L. Sim was inevitable in view of Rule 15 of the English Hockey Association which states: "No affiliated association and no player belonging to any affiliated association and no player or member of any such club shall institute or take part in any hockey challenge cup or prize competition, any affiliated association club, player or member so offending shall be dealt with by the Council under Rule 16."

Rule 16 gives power to the Council of the Association to take disciplinary measures. Last month, the fate of the Sim Shield was nearing its conclusion. The recent discussion with regard to the eligibility of Naval teams in the Mamak Shield Tournament in view of the Navy's and Royal Marines affiliation to the English Hockey Association, which forbids competitive hockey for a trophy, caused Lieut.-Commander F. B. Leigh, of H.M.S. Medway to bring up the discussion with regard to the Sim Shield matches.

Since then, the Navy had withdrawn from the competition, and the Army later followed suit. The Club has now withdrawn and the Sim Shield will remain in the U.S.R.C. Clubhouse, where it has been ever since its inception. The matches previously arranged for the Sim Shield series, will remain as per schedule, and will be played off as friendly fixtures.

The following is the programme: January 27 Army v Navy; February 15 Club v Navy; February 22 Club v Army; March 1 Club v Navy; March 8 Club v Army.

With the passing of the Sim Shield, it is interesting to recall the first Club eleven that won the trophy in 1925. The team was as follows:—E. W. Hamilton; A. A. David; H. Owen Hughes; A. B. Hatt; E. J. L. Mitchell (Captain); Ray; B. W. L. Martin; G. K. More; E. L. L. Whiteway-Wilkinson; Sig. Con-Sim; W. Woodward; A. Dyer-Bell; and Sig. Cavill.

MAMAK TOURNAMENT PRESIDENT INTERVIEWED.

When interviewed by the China Mail this morning, Mr. E. W. Hamilton, President of the Mamak Tournament, stated that the Sim Shield decision had no effect on the Mamak Tournament, as it was already known that the Mamak Shield was withdrawn on November 25 last year. The Sim Shield had followed what the Mamak Tournament had already done in regard to the withdrawal of the trophy.

B. D. Evans. T. J. Price, P. W. F. Mills and G. P. Lammert also played in the Sim Shield matches in 1925.

It was in 1924-5 that Mr. E. L. Sim, an old Bedfordshire County and Club player, in recognition of the U.S.R.C.'s generosity in allowing the Club use of their ground, presented the Sim Shield. The rules have not been altered since the inception of the competition.

The winning Club in each season has had its name inscribed on the Shield.

The following have been the winners of the Sim Shield:—1924-5 Club; 1925-6 The Navy; 1926-7 The Navy; 1927-8 The Army; 1928-9 The Army; 1929-30 Club; 1930-31 Club; 1931-32 Club.

SIGNALS HOCKEY TEAM FOR MACAO.

The following team will represent the Royal Corps of Signals against the Macao Hockey Club at Macao on Sunday:—Sig. Browne; Sig. Whitehead; Sig. Cord; Sig. Austen; Sig. Jones; Sig. Scott; Sig. Bryce; Sig. Chaffey; B. W. L. Martin; G. K. More; E. L. L. Whiteway-Wilkinson; Sig. Con-Sim; W. Woodward; A. Dyer-Bell; and Sig. Cavill.

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PATTERSON'S LUCK

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Feeling his way cautiously, his outstretched hands encountered a bunk, but it was empty and bare of either bedding or blankets. The next one was the same, but the third contained what he judged to be a large piece of sail-cloth. Deciding not to investigate further, he took off his soaking garments, wrung them out, then hoisted himself into the bunk, wrapping the canvas about him. In a few seconds he had sunk into the deep sleep of utter exhaustion.

When John Patterson opened his eyes the next morning in broad daylight, with the warm sun pouring down upon him, he felt surprisingly brave. Besides, he was refreshed and invigorated by the night's rest, and his hunger urged him to explore.

Tumbling out of the bunk, he dragged on his partly dried clothes, then went, as he put it to himself, to have a look at the "stiffs." They were still there, one at the wheel and two amidships, silent and rigid as before.

"Mornin', mates," said John Patterson cheerfully as he approached. His hail was not answered, but he stopped suddenly, stared, and then, leaning against a winch, laughed till the tears ran down his cheeks.

"Straw!" he ejaculated. "Blasted dummies, stuffed with straw!" It was true. Those dread figures which had so terrified him the night before were dummies; sailors' garments filled with straw and maintained in upright positions by means of spars fastened to the deck. Still shaking with laughter, John Patterson gave one of the "corpses" a kick, whereat it rolled over and over along the deck, shedding straw as it went.

Surely, he reflected, some lunatic must have played this trick, for he could imagine no sane person manning a deserted vessel with straw-stuffed figures. However, deciding that this was not the time to indulge in idle speculations, he went

aff to search the cabins for food. But they, like the fore-cabin, were completely dismantled, and John Patterson realized that if he did not wish to die of starvation and thirst he must somehow get away.

He started at once to construct a raft out of hatchcovers and spars which he lashed together with rope. While thus engaged he chanced to observe a smudge of smoke on the horizon and stopped work to watch it. The smudge grew larger and developed into the smoke-trail of a steamer, a steamer which seemed to be bearing right down upon the anchored vessel.

"Darned if my luck ain't really changed at last," murmured John Patterson. In a surprisingly short space of time the ship herself became visible and very soon he could make out the conning towers of a warship.

"My, but she's got some speed on her," he reflected admiringly. Suddenly, and for no apparent reason, the warship swung off at right angles to her original course, so that, instead of bearing down upon the anchored vessel, she was now steaming broadside-on to her. Fearing lest she should pass before he could attract attention, John Patterson tore off his shirt and bent it to the signal halyards. He was about to hoist it, when he noticed that the warship had again altered course and was steaming as though to make a circle round him.

"Now, what in thunder—" he began, then stopped abruptly, his gaze resting on a spot of brilliant light such as might be caused by the reflection of the sun upon polished steel.

While he gazed, the spot of light moved slowly round and, as it did so, the explanation of all this dawned upon John Patterson. The vessel he stood on was a target-boat upon which the warship was about to open fire!

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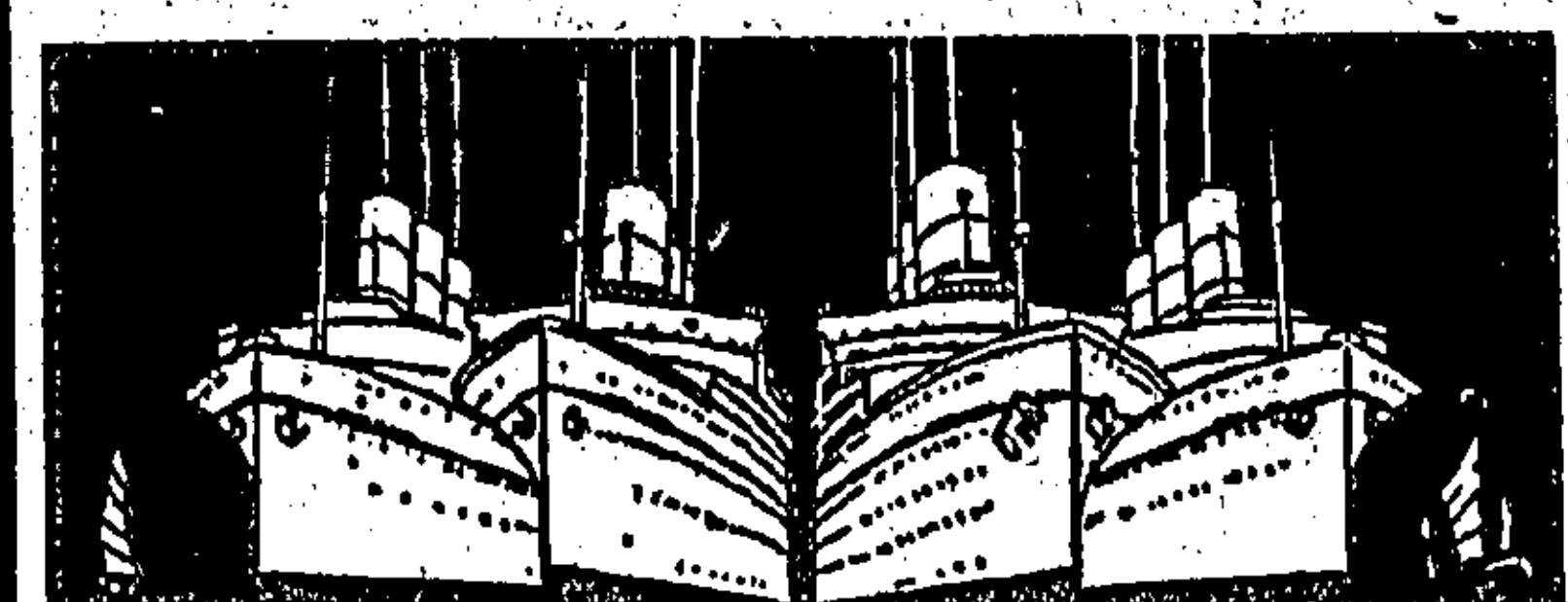
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Dr. Kan Kai-hou, the newly appointed Inspecting Commissioner of Foreign Affairs for the South-western Provinces, left Hong Kong for Canton last night. He will assume his post to-day.

Chinese Strengthen Defence Works.

Peiping. Reporting on the situation at the front, General Ho Chu-kuo, Commander of the 9th Independent Brigade and concurrently Garrison Commander for the Lanchow-Shanhai-kuan Area, in a telegram to the Peiping authorities, states that Chinese armored trains are patrolling between Chinwangtao and Changli and that the defence works there have been strengthened. Chinwangtao and Changli are respectively 11 and 39 miles west of Shanhai-kuan.—Kuo Min.

Sever Relations With Japan.

ASSOCIATIONS URGE IMMEDIATE ACTION. Nanking. That the Chinese Government should sever all relations with Japan is the stand advocated by the National Federation of

National Salvation Associations and the Association for the Support of the North-Eastern Volunteers, in a joint telegram addressed yesterday to the National Government, the Executive Yuan, and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

With the loss of Shanhai-kuan, the message declares, the enemy has penetrated further into Chinese territory. The present situation no longer permits of indecision and hesitancy, and the Government is called upon immediately to declare the severance of relations with Japan, in the meantime instructing the delegates at Geneva to petition the League of Nations for the application of sanctions against Japan under Article XVI of the League Covenant.

In another telegram to General Chiang Kai-shek, President of the Military Affairs Commission, the Associations take the military leaders of the country to task for the present crisis. While the loss of Liaoning may be attributed to unpreparedness, this pretext cannot hold for subsequent events which have culminated in the occupation of Shanhai-kuan. "It is therefore incumbent upon you to lead a large contingent to the front for the defence of the country. We pledge hereby to give you our wholehearted support."

CARGO JUNK SINKS WITH SAND LOAD.

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loosened at the rear of the sinking craft.

Lam Tai, helmsman of the junk, in his report to the Police, stated that at 11.30 p.m. last night they set sail from La Chung in the direction of Tai Kok Tsui, carrying 300 piculs of sand.

At 3.30 this morning, the junk sprang a leak and began to sink gradually. The sinking was first felt when off Stonecutters Island, but the craft became finally submerged when halfway between the Island and Sham Shui Po.

The crew were rescued by No. 6 Police launch and taken to Tsim Sha Tsui Police Station.

PROSPECTS BRIGHT ON N. Y. MARKET.

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Silver Rise.

The local dollar remained steady this morning being quoted at 1/3 3/4. Silver prices, spot and forward rose 1/4 on yesterday's prices, opening this morning at 16 1/2 and 16 15/16, respectively.

The pound value again showed improvement, the London on New York cross rate being quoted at £-G\$3.35, and the New York on London rate at £-G\$3.35 9/16, as compared with £-G\$3.35 and £-G\$3.35 5/16 respectively, yesterday.

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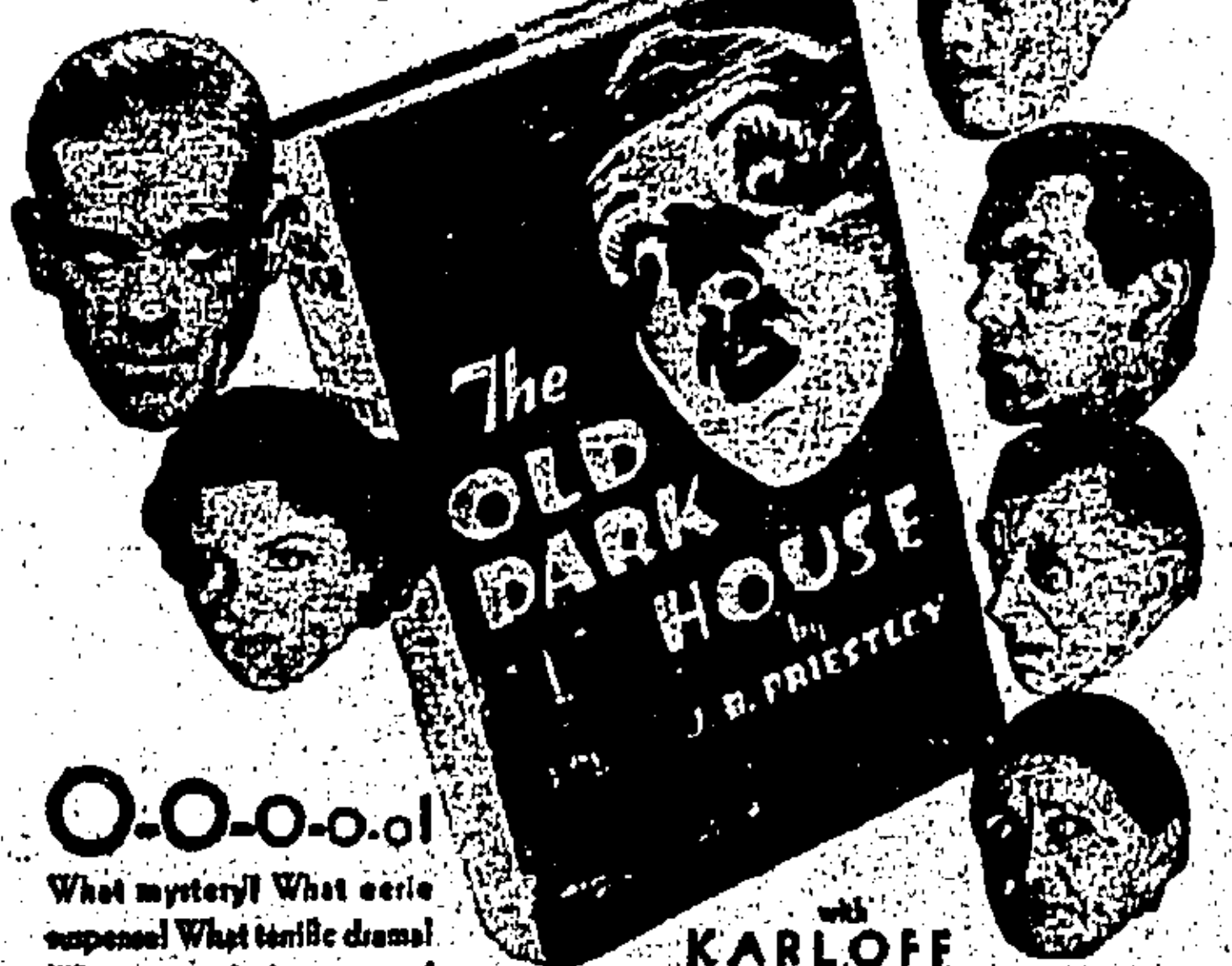
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